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Comment Of The Day

Ties With U.A.R. Resumed

BRITAIN and Egypt have resumed diplomatic ties. This marks the end of one of the most bitter and controversial periods in Britain's relations with the Middle East. The wounds caused initially by Egypt's seizure of the Canal and later by the British assault on Port Said have far from healed. Nor is there any likelihood that they will heal completely before the passing of this generation. But the decision to appoint diplomatic representatives to each other's countries will at least help the implementation of the Anglo-Egyptian financial agreement made earlier this year under which seized British property was deescribed, or made the subject of compensation.

This will mean the reopening of British business houses in Egypt—though on a greatly reduced scale. Local British residents will once again be free to live and work in Cairo and other parts of the United Arab Republic. And it may not be long before Boac resumes flights to the country. From a commercial standpoint the ending of the long period of hostility will be welcomed—in spite of prevailing dissatisfaction over the financial agreement. As far as trade is concerned, alternative markets have been developed by both countries and it may take years to recover.

ONE request which Britain must be quick to press is the release of Mr. James Zarb from prison. To the British people this is one of the outstanding grievances stemming from the Suez campaign. Zarb and James Swinburn were charged with spying for Britain. Nobody believed the Egyptian story and the commonly accepted view is that they were seized and imprisoned after a show trial out of spite. Swinburn was released earlier this year and the release of Zarb is now an essential first task for our new charge d'affaires.

It is useless suggesting that British people will soon shed the feeling of contempt and angry frustration they have for the Egyptians and the whole wretched Suez affair. Likewise Egypt will bear hatred for Britain for many years to come. Diplomatic relations, however, must not be governed by national animosities and prejudices.

IT was not surprising that Mr. Selwyn Lloyd's statement to the House should have been greeted by Labour taunts and jeers. And many more than opposition members feel particularly aggrieved that Britain has waived its claim to compensation for the Army bases in the former Canal zone. These were worth \$50 million. Had the Canal operation had a more satisfying ending, the spectacle of the Foreign Secretary eating his hat might have been less humiliating.

But it is not the time now to dwell on the past. It is time to swallow pride and accept the fact that we live in a world of equals in which the needs of Britain and her Commonwealth have to be harmonized with the needs and rights of others.

LAWYERS' OPINION: MAILING OF COUPONS NOT ILLEGAL FOOTBALL POOL DISCLOSURES

Local Charities Would Benefit If Laws Amended

The plan to operate a football pool in Macao was more fully described at a press conference today when senior executives made these disclosures:

- Leading Hongkong lawyers had told them it was legal to send coupons through the post.
- It was possible for a person to win HK\$100,000 for 10 cents.
- If Hongkong changed its laws to allow pools, Asian Football Pools would "follow the flag" to enable local government to benefit by taxation.

These disclosures were made today by Mr. A. P. Moore and Mr. N. Fleming. Mr. Moore is director of Asian Football Pools. Mr. Moore told reporters that he understood that if the pool operated from Macao, Hongkong Government would take no action.

Asian Football Pools revealed on Monday that they had been refused permission to start operating in Hongkong, because this would have contravened local ordinances.

He pointed out that the Government does not receive any money from the pool which is operating at present.

"Whereas under the laws of a legal pool the Government would automatically receive 12½% in taxes," he said.

Mr. Moore stressed that the promoters only received three-and-a-half per cent of all monies received.

For Charity

"Of all the money collected, 61½% is consumed in prize money, 16% goes to charity and another 14½% is taken up in further taxes," he said.

"With this present refund fund one could imagine the help the charity percentage would be."

He said that if laws in Hongkong changed to allow these pools, his organisation would "follow the flag" and start the pool in the Colony so that the Government would benefit from the 12½%.

Mr. N. Fleming also an official of the Asian Football Pools who convened the conference said that if there was any interference with the mail it would be "trespassing on the freedom of the people."

Pointing out how the Colony would profit by the pools Mr. Fleming said that the organisation would employ 500 people immediately in the pools were made legal.

In some cases it would be possible for a person to win HK\$100,000 for 10 cents.

If weather prevented play in England and a game was cancelled a better in Hongkong would not lose any points.

"It's the old pool custom that if you can't win then you can't lose," Mr. Moore said.

"We feel that we are being wrong and I feel that there has been unreasonable discrimination in the whole matter."

In a release given to the press the Asian Football Pools made it clear that they had fully investigated an earlier charge that it would be illegal to send football pool coupons through the Hongkong Post Office.

The release stated that legal authorities in their investigations proved unanimously that Hongkong Officials cannot, except in very special cases, interfere with letters mailed through the Hongkong Post.

The "very special cases" arose when the safety of the Colony was concerned.

Statement

The statement this morning added:

"In the Press Release from Asian Football Pools (of November 30) reference was made as follows: 'It is known that a Royal Commission was appointed to study the gambling laws of Hongkong...'

It is regretted that the adjective 'Royal' was used to qualify the setting up of the commission—of which the promoters were advised that it was planted as long ago as September 1958—and it is only now, when challenged, that the Government spokesman states, 'The Committee is expected to report to the Government before very long.'

"Hongkong dollars, or shall we say currency, is accepted everywhere in Macao—indeed at the Gambling Tables in Macao the tourist or visitor can bet in Hongkong dollars and if he is lucky, he paid his winnings in Hongkong dollars."

Legal Tender

"Furthermore, it is customary for Hongkong dollars to be accepted as legal tender anywhere in Macao. Therefore, no objection is seen, or has indeed been raised officially, regarding the receipt of Hongkong dollars in Macao or the paying-out of prize money in Hongkong currency. It should be mentioned here that further clarification will be made on this point."

"Football Pool betting provides everybody, with equal opportunity to participate; rich and poor alike will find this is within their means whether in (Contd. on Back Page, Col. 1)

Panamanians Burn 'Uncle Sam'



An effigy of "Uncle Sam" is burned in a street in Panama city, on November 28, during the demonstrations against the United States occupation of the Panama Canal Zone. About 300 youths attempted to plant the national flag in the Canal Zone but they were kept back by American and Panamanian troops who joined forces. Twelve American soldiers were reported to have been injured by stones thrown by the demonstrators. — AP Radio photo.

Two Killed In Gaza Strip Clash

Tel Aviv, Dec. 1. Two Arab infiltrators were killed and two Israeli soldiers wounded in an exchange of fire today near the Gaza Strip, an Israeli Army spokesman said.

An Israeli patrol clashed with three Arabs on Israeli territory north of the Gaza Strip. The Arabs opened automatic fire against the patrol, the spokesman said.

The patrol returned the fire, killing two Arabs, while a third escaped across the lines into the Gaza Strip.—APR.

West To Present German Problem At Summit Meet

Paris, Dec. 1. The West German Government spokesman Herr Felix Von Eckart said here tonight that the Federal Chancellor Dr. Konrad Adenauer and the French Prime Minister M. Michel Debre had "agreed on preparations for the summit conference."

Herr Von Eckart was speaking to reporters at a joint press conference with the French Foreign Ministry spokesman Mr. Pierre Baraduc.

Pressed for details on whether the French and German Governments were agreed on how the Berlin problem ought to be dealt with at an East-West summit, the German spokesman said "we are fully agreed not only with the French but also with the British Government that the Western plan (for Berlin and Germany) presented at the beginning of the Geneva Conference must be regarded as a single package."

NOT APART

The French spokesman added: "We are agreed that at an East-West summit conference the problem of Berlin must not be treated alone and apart from the German problem as a whole."

More Cases Of Poisoning

More cases of poisoning were reported this morning and the total number affected is now at least 12, according to a China Mail count.

So far there have been no reported human fatalities, though two chickens died after eating vegetables in Wanchai yesterday.

Most of the cases have been sent to hospital where after treatment they have been discharged fully recovered.

Commonwealth's Bid To Win Over World Air Routes

By PETER WOON

London, Dec. 1. A conference of Commonwealth airlines aimed at winning Commonwealth supremacy on the world's air routes is being planned by the Minister of Aviation, Mr. Duncan Sandys.

The conference, which will probably take place in London next spring, is expected to set up a permanent council to encourage air transport throughout the Commonwealth.

Cheaper air fares agreed, it necessary, outside the International Air Transport Association would be a keynote of the co-operation between Commonwealth airlines and is being extended now.

Last week Boac linked up with Trans Canada Airlines on its trans-Atlantic operations and in Delhi this week the Corporation's Managing Director, Mr. Basil Smallpiece, is concluding a similar arrangement for the Far East with Air India and Qantas.

PARTNERSHIP

Only Pakistan among major Commonwealth countries now remains outside the Boac partnership scheme but if understand discussions are going on with Pakistan.

British Government policy is to obtain a closer linking of all Commonwealth airlines with common fares and other operating arrangements, but the Government must tread warily in proposing that Commonwealth air links should be tied to a "Buy British" aircraft policy.

Many airlines have been buying American aircraft on the grounds that Britain is not producing the aircraft they need. They certainly will not be dictated to by Mr. Sandys.—London Express Service.

Priests Brutally Murdered

Yaounde, French Cameroons, Dec. 1.

Two French priests were brutally murdered on Sunday night when several hundred people attacked the Catholic Mission at Bafang in the French Cameroons, it was disclosed today.

Another priest and a native-born nun were injured. The mission as well as the hospital were sacked, and several vehicles were set on fire. Three Africans were reported to have disappeared, while two burnt bodies could not be identified.

The attackers set up several obstacles to facilitate their retreat without the population informing the authorities. The police were nevertheless able to catch and inflict heavy losses on the attackers, although these have not yet been counted.

The attackers appear to have been armed with guns, including one automatic weapon.

The slain priests, Father Gilles Heberle who had spent 25 years in the Cameroons and Brother Saron, were both members of the Order of the Sacred Heart of Saint Quentin. Their deaths aroused intense emotion among the Christian community.—APR.

Nervous Bandits

Los Angeles, Dec. 1. Two youthful bandits fled with nearly \$3,000 in cash and jewelry from a store yesterday after one of them threatened to owner Syron Erickson, "hand over your money. We're just as nervous as you are."

Additional Telephone Directory

A "supplementary" telephone book will be issued by the Hongkong Telephone Company shortly before Chinese New Year, containing about 11,000 new numbers.

The new book, it was learned from an official of the Telephone Company this morning, is to be issued to subscribers from January 23.

Of the 11,000 new listings, 6,000 will be totally new numbers of telephones which the telephone company have been installing throughout the Colony during the past few months.

The remaining numbers will be those of subscribers who have changed addresses. "This," the official added, "is causing us a big headache for there are many house removals during the year."

In the present English-language telephone directory there are more than 50,000 numbers listed, excluding those of Government.

On the question of the company's development plan for more telephones and better exchange systems, the official said, "We are ahead of schedule already in the first few months. In the Mongkok area we will be bringing in 2,000 more lines from December 18 onwards. These were not expected to be ready until January. In another area, 1,000 telephones, which were not expected to be installed until March, will now be ready in January."

AMERICAN REVOLUTION IN REVERSE

Westfield, N.J., Dec. 1.

A 50-year-old businessman has fired the first shot of what he hopes will be a reverse American Revolution to get New Jersey into the "British Commonwealth."

Mr. Erik Roos, who catches his train daily to and from Manhattan, is upset about paying the New York State income tax even though he lives here.

He wrote to Governor Robert B. Meyner of New Jersey to appeal to "the Crown of England for our return to colonial status with its guarantees of British justice."

He said that he was being subjected to "taxation without representation," the same cry that touched off the American Revolution two centuries ago. The British Consulate in New York took Mr. Roos' announcement calmly—"we're getting rid of our colonies these days," an official said.—China Mail Special.



Mr. A. Moore (left) and Mr. Norman Fleming (right) of the Asian Football Pools answering reporters' questions at a special press conference held in Hongkong this morning. —China Mail Photo.

Soviet Decision Assailed

MUNRO'S STATEMENT ON RUSSIAN TROOPS IN HUNGARY

New York, Dec. 1. The determination to maintain Russian troops in Hungary, confirmed yesterday by the Hungarian Prime Minister, Mr. Janos Kadar, was a "dismal introduction" to the forthcoming debate on Hungary in the General Assembly, Sir Leslie Munro said tonight.

24 Killed In Plane Crash

Montoursville, Penn., Dec. 1. The Allegheny Airlines plane crash today resulted in 24 deaths out of a total list of 25, including three crew members.

Three persons were found alive but two of them died shortly after being transported to the hospital. The sole survivor is in serious condition. The plane crashed in a snowstorm on a hillside as it was preparing to land at the Williamsport, Pennsylvania, Airport, on its way from Philadelphia to Cleveland, Ohio. The pilot contacted the control tower and then tried to make a landing with practically no visibility. He decided, however, to make a second try and took the plane up again.

EYE WITNESS
At the same time, a witness heard the plane's motors roar loudly and saw the plane crash against a hill at least 900 feet high.

The plane did not catch fire but disintegrated under the shock, only the tail remained intact. The crash had brought the number of persons killed this year in commercial airline flights to 286.

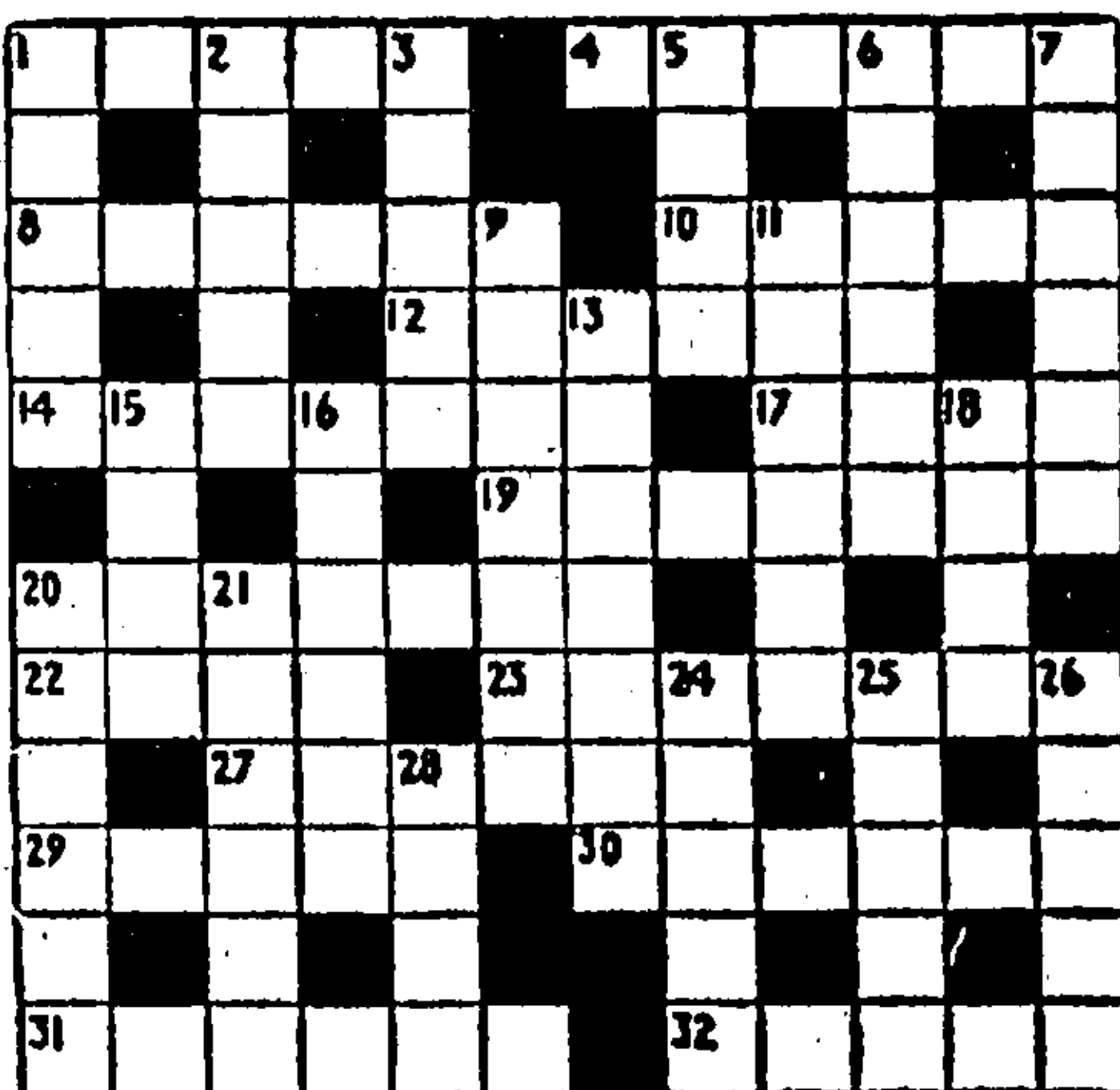
This figure includes 68 persons killed in an accident in Milan, Italy, last June. The plane belonged to the American company, Trans-World Airlines.

The worst accident of the year was a Lockheed Electra which crashed in New York, killing 65.—AP.

Death

Pasadena, N.J., Dec. 1. Mrs. Theresa Wu, 60, wife of the former Chinese Nationalist Minister to the Vatican, died yesterday at St. Mary's Hospital. Mrs. Wu was the wife of Dr. John Wu, now a Professor of Law at Seton Hall University. He represented the Chinese Nationalist Government at the Vatican in 1946.—UPI.

A British Crossword Puzzle



ACROSS

- 1 Contests between nations? (5).
- 4 Leave without resource (6).
- 8 Foot part kept by trained soldiers (6).
- 10 Cake confection (5).
- 12 Perfumes (6).
- 14 Loud speaker (7).
- 17 Garment (4).
- 19 Gifts of money? (7).
- 20 Obviously no doubt (7).
- 22 A gigantic figure rarin' to go (4).
- 23 Italian Mrs (7).
- 27 Counsellor of hill-dwellers? (6).
- 29 Do business (5).
- 30 Firmly secured (6).
- 31 Stay in occupation (6).
- 32 Wale a book? No; in one! (6).

DOWN

- 1 Pours (5).
- 2 Social distinction (5).
- 3 Old soldier (5).
- 5 Nice and tidy (4).
- 8 Having got up (6).
- 9 Numerical fingers (6).
- 10 Raise an objection (7).
- 11 Beware the Fleet in the hollow (6).
- 13 A speech of internal proportion (7).
- 15 Only a small branch, we understand (4).
- 16 Concealment complained (6).
- 18 Commotion in prison? (4).
- 20 More highly flavoured (6).
- 21 Wanderers (6).
- 24 Serious account (6).
- 25 The towel bird? (5).
- 26 Tree (5).
- 28 In this are the poor (4).

YESTERDAY'S SOLUTION—Across: 3 Veneer, 4 Kilo, 5 Travels, 11 Sentence, 13 Held, 14 Dangle, 15 Deep sigh, 19 Lynx, 21 Sandwich, 23 Convenor, 25 Mito, 27 Motorist, Down: 1 Eke, 2 Cinn, 4 Barn, 5 Dive, 6 Terse, 7 A-m-e-n-d, 9 Trepid, 10 Acute, 12 Enemy, 14 Logic, 16 Sedan, 17 Spuds, 19 Locum, 20 N-one-t, 21 Boor, 22 Nole, 23 Ibs, 24 Hoop.

French Dancer Gets Award For World War II Role

Paris, Dec. 1. A beautiful blonde dancer of the famous Paris music-hall, the "Folies-Bergere", was today awarded the coveted Legion of Honour, for her part in the resistance under German occupation during the last war.

Her stage name is Lydia Lavin and she was one of the few people to come out alive from the infamous "scientific experiment" block at Ravensbrück concentration camp. Her release was arranged by the Swedish Red Cross under an exchange of prisoners scheme in April 1945, before she could be "experimented" upon.

ONLY 16
Lydia, whose real name is Lydia De Lipski, was only sixteen when she joined the resistance movement with her father in 1940. Having studied industrial design, she made plans of French factories working for Germany until she was betrayed and arrested in 1941. After stays in several prisons in France, she was transferred to Ravensbrück and after an escape attempt was transferred to the "scientific experiment" block.

She held the resistance rank of second-lieutenant and was already the holder of the "Croix De Guerre" for heroism.

Lydia has been dancing at the "Folies Bergere" for ten years. She wears black sequined lights and enormous ear-rings, but is not one of the theatre's nudes.

She now lives with her father in the famous artists district of Montmartre where tonight she will hold a celebration with her friends.—AP.

UK Industrial Production Accelerating

London, Dec. 1. The growth of Britain's industrial production is accelerating, according to the latest figures issued today by the Central Statistical Office.

The latest index figure stood at 119.120, nine per cent higher than a year ago.

The estimate for September has been re-adjusted upward as more information has become available. The result is that output for both September and October combined also is put a full nine per cent above the same months of last year.

Since June every provisional monthly estimate has been revised upward when fuller information was available.

It is too early yet for the figures to show much difference in business circles here—that here is a levelling off of the demand for constructional and heavy engineering products.—UPI.

B.B.'s Film Will Aid Refugees

United Nations, Dec. 1. Brigitte Bardot will help World Refugee Year, it was announced tonight.

Proceeds from world-wide premiere performances of the French star's new film, "Babette Goes To War" will go to the Office of the United Nations High Commissioner for Refugees.

The offer was made by the film's producer, Mr. Raoul Levy, and Columbia Pictures.—Reuter.

Ike's Nomination

Washington, Dec. 1. President Eisenhower today said he would nominate Mr. Raymond A. Harbo, at present United States Ambassador in Cairo, as Deputy Under-Secretary of State for Political Affairs.

Mr. Harbo will succeed Mr. Livingston Merchant, who is being promoted to Under-Secretary of State for Political Affairs in succession to Mr. Robert Murphy, who is resigning.—Reuter.

Johnnie Ray Faces Trial

Detroit, Dec. 1. Singer Johnnie Ray denied to a jury of 12 women today that he made an indecent proposal to a Vice Squad plainclothesman.

Ray, 32, went on trial in Recorder's Court on a charge of "soliciting and solicited" for immoral purposes. It was his second such brush with the law here.

Ray was arrested early on the morning of November 21 by Vice Squad Policemen Eugene Caviston in front of a downtown night spot. Caviston testified today that he and Ray struck up a conversation in the night spot and that Ray autographed his handkerchief for him, signing it "To Gene, Glad to know you. Your buddy always, Johnnie Ray."

DENIES

After a conversation lasting about 10 minutes, Caviston said Ray made an indecent proposal. They went outside and Caviston, who had told Ray he was a salesman, made the arrest. Ray told the Court he had invited the Policeman to his hotel room for a nightcap drink. He denied making any indecent proposal.

The trial, in a packed courtroom, was adjourned after Ray's testimony with final arguments set for this morning. Ray, who rose to fame with his sobbing rendition of the song "Cry," pleaded guilty to a similar charge here in 1951 and was fined \$25.—UPI.

Bolshoi Opera Conductor Dies

Moscow, Dec. 1. The death of Bolshoi Opera Conductor Vasily Nebolsin was announced on Tuesday in newspapers here. Dispatches said he died on Friday.

Obituaries said only that the 61-year-old conductor died after a lengthy serious illness. Nebolsin won the Stalin Order for staging the opera "Mazepa" and during his career as Conductor which began in 1918, he is credited with training scores of Soviet opera singers.—AP.

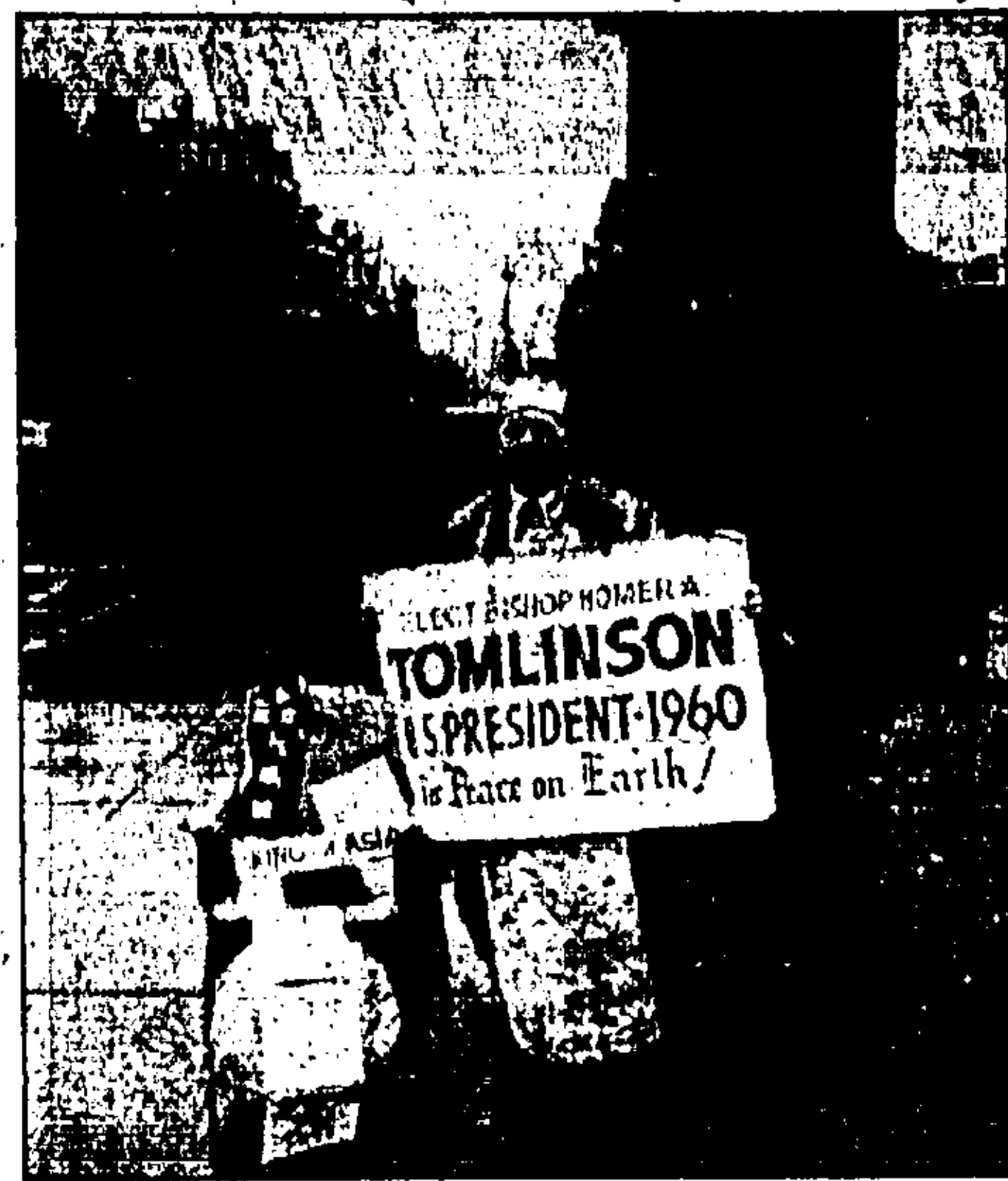
Chinese Deportation Dispute May Be Settled Shortly

Manila, Dec. 1. Foreign Secretary Felixberto Serrano on Tuesday held out hope the bitter deportation dispute between the Philippines and Nationalist China may be settled before Christmas.

Serrano told a news conference that, "barring untoward incidents," he felt the dispute over the fate of unwanted Chinese here could be ended to the satisfaction of both governments.

Asked if a solution might be reached before Christmas, Serrano replied: "Based on the progress made so far, that is not far fetched." He did not elaborate. Nor did he explain a statement in which he strongly hinted that "unofficial intervention" might play a role in bringing about a settlement.

This was the first indication here that Serrano might want to get rid of the Manila and Taipei Foreign



Bishop Homer A. Tomlinson continued his peaceful world association last week in Trafalgar Square, London, where he proclaimed himself King of All-Asia. This follows previous proclamations in Glasgow (King of Scotland), Moscow (King of All the Russias), and Washington (King of America). But he still has to visit 36 more countries and make 36 more proclamations before his entire plan is fulfilled. He expects world peace to follow. Bishop Homer is in Trafalgar Square. He is also running in next year's US Presidential elections.

HIS MISSION IS TO BECOME KING OF THE WORLD

London, Dec. 1. Bishop Homer A. Tomlinson, 67-year-old General Overseer of the Church of God in New York City, has now crowned himself "King of All-Asia". His proclamation was made in Trafalgar Square, London, last week.

McELROY ON MISSILES

Washington, Dec. 1. Mr. Neil McElroy, the retiring U.S. Secretary of Defense, said today that the number of long-range missiles possessed by the United States and Russia is "quite small."

But he told a Press conference that Russia will restrict the United States in missile production in the next three years. For this reason, he said, Congress would be asked to provide enough money to keep some nuclear bombers constantly airborne so they could not be destroyed by enemy missiles and would be ready for instant retaliation.

MORE BOMBERS

The New Defence budget, which will go to Congress next January, will contain requests for funds to train more air crews and to provide more engines for B-52 bombers, Mr. McElroy said.

These would be required to maintain the airborne alert when the Joint Chiefs of Staff decided that the Soviets had a substantial edge over the United States in intercontinental missiles, he said.

It was Mr. McElroy's final Press conference.—Reuter.

Earlier, the Bishop crowned himself "King of Scotland." He hopes to be "King of the World" by Christmas, 1966.

The self-styled king polished his 10-dollar crown with an onion in a Glasgow hotel before going to the City Square. There he removed his cloth cap and replaced it with his crown.

A few seconds before he had blown up a balloon illustrated with a map of the world.

"It is very easy to change from a civilian to a King," he said between puffs. "I feel in my own heart I am King of Scotland for God and believe me it feels good to be King of Scotland."

WIFE IS QUEEN

"My wife does not believe I am really a King but I can tell you this I think she is a Queen."

A crowd of about 200 watched in pouring rain as Bishop Tomlinson having blown up his balloons took a portable throne with gold fringes from a canvas bag, placed it down on the pavement and sat on it.

He put on a salmon pink robe which he said had been made from an Indian sarong.

"I have got all it takes to be a king," he told the crowd.

"I have got the robe and the crown and I have the heart of a king."

Holding a Bible in his hand he added: "Scotland makes the 62nd country that I am king of. This was the first time I ever did it in the rain."

Bishop Tomlinson said as a "King of the World" he hoped to bring peace to the world just as he had been able "to melt the Iron Curtain" by his trip to Moscow which, he added, prepared the way for the visit of United States Vice-President Richard Nixon.

What he wanted to do now was to open "The Bamboo Curtain," he said.

PRESIDENT OF U.S.

Bishop Tomlinson wearing his iron and gold leaf crown foretold that he would be elected President of the United States next year.

He claimed that his movement, founded by his father in 1903, now has 100,000,000 members including 30,000,000 in China.

The Bishop carried out his 15-minute ceremony to a steady flow of wisecracks and witticisms from Glasgow University students.

They sang "Good King Wenceslas" and carried out a rival "coronation" of a student wearing a newspaper "crown" and his undergraduate gown.

But as the students became more boisterous Puffed portcullis Bishop Tomlinson to cut short his ceremony and conduct his interview with the press and television reporters indoors.—China Mail Special.

Two Convicts On Trial For Killing Warder

Sydney, Dec. 1. Two convicts were committed for trial on a murder charge by a coroner's court at Penrith, near here, today for a "vicious assault" which resulted in the death of a prison warder.

The Magistrate, Mr. R. S. Stoncham, was inquiring into the death of the warder, Cecil Mills, 40, found battered to death at Emu Plains prison farm, near Sydney, on October 11.

In court were Leslie Alan Newcombe and Kevin John Simmonds, who escaped from Sydney's Long Bay prison on October 9.

Newcombe was recaptured on October 23, but Simmonds was not caught until November 15 after the biggest manhunt in New South Wales history.

STEAL CLOTHES
A statement read in court, which was allegedly made by Newcombe, said that after their escape the two men attacked the warder to steal clothes and food.

According to the statement, Simmonds hit Mills with a baseball bat, and as he staggered back, followed him still hitting.

"I hit him once or twice on the head, but Simmonds kept hitting him," Newcombe's alleged statement said.

The case will be heard next March at the Central Criminal Court.—China Mail Special.

French Strike Affects Air France

Paris, Dec. 2. Postal workers who sort letters at railway stations for early morning delivery were the first civil servants to stop work today throughout France in a 24-hour strike of more than a million civil servants and public service workers to back claims for "a living wage."

Air France airline ground staff stopped work from 11 p.m. last night, and air traffic control technicians will join the strike from 7 a.m. paralyzing all air traffic at French civil airports.—Reuter.

CREW MEMBER INJURED

Botwood, Newfoundland, Dec. 1. A crew member of the British motor vessel Norfolk is in hospital here with severe injuries following an accident aboard ship.

Jack Armstrong, the Norfolk's chief electrician, injured his back in a fall on Monday. His condition was described as favourable.

It was not immediately known whether he will be able to join the Norfolk when it sails for Australia next week after it unloads its cargo here.—AP.



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OXFORD DECIDES: NO WOMEN

Oxford, Dec. 1. Women have been barred from membership in the Oxford Union Society, the University's debating club and breeding ground of many of Britain's great orators. It was announced tonight.

A poll taken of members showed that 469 were for the admission of women to debating membership while 675 were against.

The poll was taken after an amendment was passed last Thursday, by a vote of 380 to 294, to admit women to debating membership. The poll was made necessary by the fact that a constitutional change was involved.

A two-thirds majority in favour of the amendment would have been needed to carry it through.—Reuter.

Britain's Nuclear Policy

London, Dec. 1. The British Government is not behind suggestions reported from the Western European Assembly in Paris for a seven-nation WEU nuclear striking force in Europe, an authoritative source said here tonight.

Such suggestions came from Parliamentarians at the Assembly and did not reflect British Government policy, the source stated. Britain's defence policy is based on having an independent nuclear deterrent. There was no reason why it should now reverse this policy by sharing the possession of its nuclear weapons with other nations.

The source added that a WEU nuclear striking force would tend to set up a military bloc within the 18-nation Atlantic Pact—an idea which the British Government condemns.—Reuter.

Colour-Photo Effort Fails

Cape Canaveral, Dec. 1. An Air Force effort to get the first full colour pictures of earth from the edge of space failed today.

The Air Force fired a Thor missile with a 16-millimetre movie camera in the nose cone, but the Air Force announced two hours later that it failed to recover the cone or camera from the Atlantic Ocean, 1,700 m.l.s. from the launching pad. Camera-carrying missiles this year made three successful trips with black-and-white film earth photographs. But this was the first effort at colour pictures. Sources called it a weather reconnaissance test.—UPI.

KING'S PRINCESS

LAST 4 SHOWS TO-DAY



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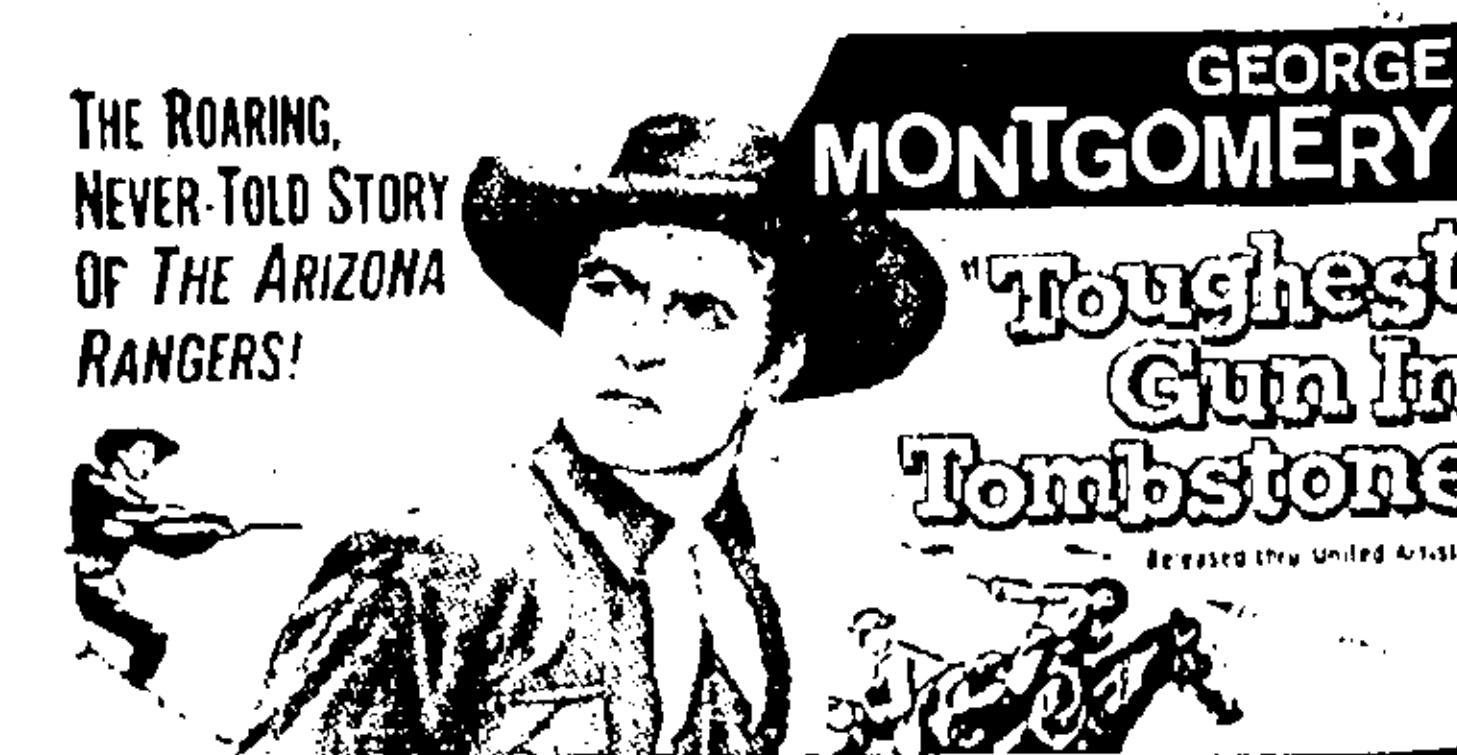
and JOSEPH N. WELCH as Judge Weaver
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FOR ENGLISHMEN, IT'S NOW CHICKEN AND CHIPS

London, Dec. 1.

A revolution has broken out in Britain's eating habits.

The fish and chips and roast beef of old England are being ousted by chicken and chips and hamburger and onion in a £40,000,000-a-year trade. Millions of Britons are buying chicken wings and legs at little sandwich shops for lunch; they're sitting down to half roast chicken with chips at bar-becues all round town; they're buying pre-cooked then frozen half-chickens for quick meals, and taking whole ready-to-cook chickens home each night for dinner. One hundred years ago chicken was a luxury in Britain. This was still so only five years ago—but not now because of the comparatively inexpensive price of 10/- a bird—and excellent modern production methods. Almost 75,000,000 chickens have been bought and eaten this year. A two and a half lb. chicken makes good eating for a family of four, and, at 10/-, is only a little more expensive than sole, plaice, or steak and chips. The production of broiler chickens which are hatched and bred artificially, then killed and prepared ready to cook, is highly mechanized. A chicken company in Sussex, one of the biggest in Europe, plucks, cleans and freezes over 20,000 birds a day and has a weekly output of 100,000 chickens all ready for the oven. With this sort of turn-over the company can afford to make only sixpence a bird.



If rise in popularity of the good old American hamburger has been slower, it is still every bit as steady. New Britons queue up inside and outside chains of "Wimpy" bars springing up in city and suburbs. Hot dog sellers are doing almost as well. Thousands of cricket-conscious Englishmen were a little dismayed when a hot dog seller invaded Lords, their holy of holies, last season. But by the end of the season hundreds were eating hot dogs at cricket and turning up their noses at roast beef and potatoes when they got home for dinner. —China Mail Special.

Collected Pennies But Stole Thousands

Amazing Story Of Fraud & Forgery

London, Dec. 1.
A Salvation Army member, who collected pennies for the cause every Saturday, robbed his employers of thousands of pounds to spend on wild living, a court heard here.

Calcutta-born David Gustave Taylor was gaoled for seven years at London's Old Bailey, pleading: "I have brought disgrace on the 'Army' and the uniform I wore. I throw myself on the mercy of the court."

He had pleaded guilty to 10 charges of theft, forgery and fraudulent conversion from two jewellery firms and asked for 92 similar offences to be taken into consideration.

Night Club

Taylor, 49-year-old Anglo-Indian, was said to have defrauded two Hutton Garden jewellery firms for whom he worked of £19,614 in 18 months.

Prosecuting counsel said that he would make out cheques for small amounts, get them signed by his managing director and then increase the amounts.

In a statement, Taylor said all but £600 of the money had been spent on night clubs, expensive presents for night club

hostesses, West End restaurants and gambling.

Last September, he spent £800 in night clubs and he gambled with a bookmaker at the rate of £150 to £200 a day.

His Shops

A police officer said that on his visits to night clubs he would pose as a wealthy jeweller owning 400 shops.

His wife Iris said from the witness box: "In the eyes of him I am still married to him."

"I won't kick a man when he is down. Apart from going to night clubs and spending money on hostesses there is one thing else—he spends money on everybody."

"He always gave me his salary, even bonuses. He was very affectionate."

"He always used to buy me stockings on Saturdays. I predicted that." —China Mail Special.

Opera Singer Saved Gassed Man's Life

London, Dec. 1.
An opera singer saved the life of a neighbour's 33-year-old son who was found lying apparently dead in bed.

The singer, Ronald Lewis, was awakened in his Stamford Hill, London, home by the man's mother. She could not rouse the son and she thought he was dead.

Mr Lewis—who is no relation of the actor with the same name—ran to the man's bedroom and gave him artificial respiration.

A spokesman at the Royal Opera House, Covent Garden, where Mr Lewis is singing in Carmen at present, said that Mr Lewis managed to start the man breathing before an ambulance arrived.

The man was taken to hospital where he regained consciousness some hours later. The spokesman added that doctors said the man seemed to have been gassed accidentally. —China Mail Special.

Crowe, Dec. 1.
Motorist Benjamin Speed was fined £4 yesterday for speeding. —UPI.

LORD BEATTY TO TAKE 4th WIFE

London, Dec. 1.
Lord Beatty, 64-year-old grandson of the American millionaire, Mr Marshall Field, will marry his fourth wife, an 18-year-old British debutante, on Thursday it was announced today.

The bride to be is Miss Diane Kirk.

Lord Beatty's three previous wives—the present Lady Brownlow, the former Mrs Dorothy Bragg, and the former Mrs Adelle O'Connor—were all American-born.

Their two names were linked romantically when Miss Kirk accompanied Lord Beatty on two Mediterranean cruises aboard his yacht, Sea Huntress. It was thought the romance had ended a month ago when Miss Kirk's mother was reported as saying: "My daughter is no longer seeing Lord Beatty. I can now say that there will definitely be no engagement." —Reuter.

London, Dec. 1.
Mr and Mrs Alfred Marriage were divorced yesterday. —UPI.

HER NAME COULD HAVE TOLD THEM

London, Dec. 1.
The lady's name ought to have warned two runaway lovers who sought lodgings at the Somerset village of Milterton.

Gilliam Miles, 18, and her boy friend, David Clifford, 19, missing for five weeks, aroused her suspicions when they turned up in this village and asked for shelter.

So Mrs Gladys Loveless telephoned the police and had them caught. —China Mail Special.

HOW TO LIVE TO 200

By Fabulous Dr Moore

London, Dec. 1.

A 55-year-old woman doctor said today that people can live to be 200 if they give up smoking, drinking, proteins, starch and sex. The amazing Russian-born Dr Barbara Moore twice in seven days has foot-slogged a tough 110-mile course to prove her physical fitness.

She said she had devoted many years to studying the secrets of living. "Live for nature, knowledge, music and speed on a motorcycle," she said.

No Starch

Dr Moore said diet has had a lot to do with her strength and energy—which she demonstrated in her two walks. She covered the 110 miles the second time in 20 hours, 34 minutes. The first march took longer.

"I eat no starch, no carbohydrates, no protein and no fibre," she said.

Her diet concentrates on fruit juices, water and honey. "And I sleep only about two hours a day. I need no more. I derive nourishment from every atom of my tiny diet," she said, "which is why I need so little food." —AP.

Hebrides Hit By Meteorite?

London, Dec. 1.
A large crater has suddenly appeared in desolate moorland in the South-west of Lewis, most northerly island of the Outer Hebrides, and is believed to have been caused by a meteorite.

A gamekeeper described the scene today.

He said: "There was an area between two and three acres churned up and hollowed out, as though by the impact of a very large body."

"The ground was cracked in all directions. Standing to the left of the hole, I could get a smell as if there had been a fire."

Numerous meteorites were seen about the time the crater appeared. —China Mail Special.

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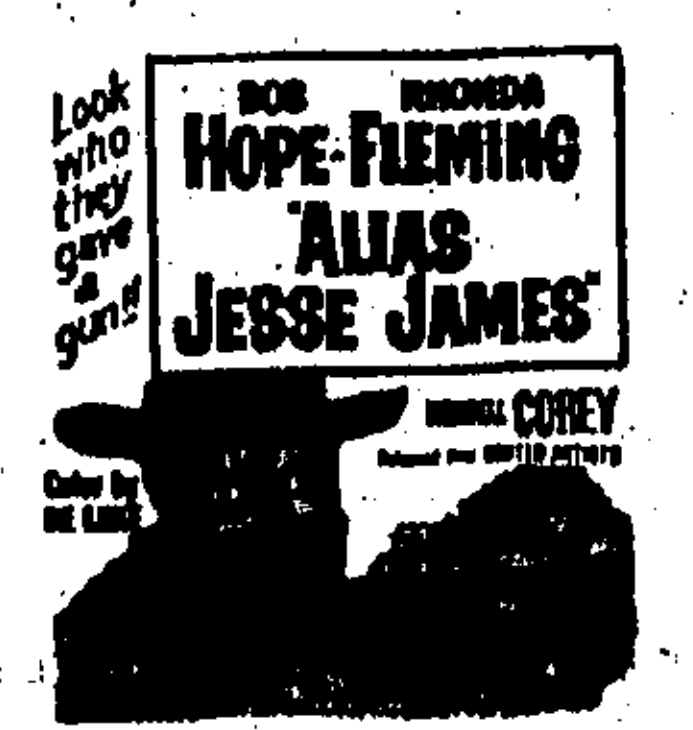
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By Gog

IN GERMANY THEY PLAY THE GLOCKENSPIEL



They brave all for RUNAWAY



★James Fraher and his sweetheart Freda Cohen cling together at the journey's end of their runaway romance.

THE pint-sized sixteen-year-old girl sat back in the car and kissed her soldier boy passionately, eyes closed, again and again.

"Darling," said Ivy Rowan, "I'm glad it's over. At last we're married." Ivy and 20-year-old Derek Evans—both are from Wigan—had just been married at Gretna Green. Married by special licence, because soon Derek will be sent abroad. "And if I can't go overseas with you I'll count every second until we can be together again," the bride whispered to her husband.

There was Ivy in her blue costume, and there was Derek in his uniform. And there were the carnations.

I went to the wedding "reception." Derek bought two ham sandwiches (1s. 4d.) and two coffees (1s. 2d.) for Ivy and himself.

Just ham sandwiches and coffee—and an Elvis Presley record for which Derek put 6d. in a juke box. "It's nice to have music at our party," said Ivy.

I looked at them. I looked at the surroundings. I thought of the absent parents. I listened to the blaring of the Presley record.

And I thought there was something pathetic about it all—something tragic about this whole sorry story of Gretna Green marriages.

ICY NIGHTS

To teenagers planning to flee over the border to marry at Gretna, I would say in all sincerity: "Think again."

I must warn you of the difficulties that await you, especially if you have not got sufficient money to last three weeks—the "residential qualification" before you can marry at the register office.

Two years ago I visited Gretna for the first time. I saw runaways sleeping in hedges and tents and barns because they could not afford "digs"—25s. for two rooms.

I was shocked. I could hardly believe that even impetuous,

London.

defiant youngsters would brave all this for love.

Last week I went back to Gretna again. And again I found a community of runaways some down to their last few shillings.

Only now they dare not sleep in hedges or tents, for impartial nights are cold. So bitterly cold that even the love-sick "sexies" who have challenged their parents and left behind so many tears, are afraid of dying in the icy fields.

Some are not as "lucky" as James Fraher and Freda Cohen, who arrived with £2, but expect friends to send them more money.

What of the others? What of 16-year-old Pauline Edwards and Peter Glover, due to be married soon?

"We'll be starting life with only 5s.," Peter told me. "We don't know where we're going to live, but we're going back to Coventry—perhaps one of our relatives might take us in."

He added: "While we've been here I've earned about £1 a day working on a farm. But it's all gone—it all went on food."

Romance? There will also be the usual crop of couples who are playing it strictly for kicks: couples who are not in love with each other and never will be.

Couples who think a flight to Gretna is a great lark—a glamorous adventure, a whim to be indulged without a thought to the consequences.

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LOVE

Arnold Field

"It's not pleasant to begin married life with only 5s. But I'm sure we'll manage."

A few do not need to worry about money—they saved up enough to stay the necessary three weeks.

But they, too, have a big problem: boredom. They get tired of seeing each other. Every second of every day for three weeks.

And that often leads to tiffs—though even when the girl starts crying she will never go home to admit to her parents that she has been a fool.

So they walk around all day because some landladies don't want them about the house. And there are few sympathetic shoulders for them to weep on.

A WHIM

For most of Gretna's residents wish them miles away—over the border. They condemn their "misbehaviour" and "open kissing in front of our kids."

The only real friends the runaways find are other runaways.

Last year, about 200 youngsters were married at Gretna. This weekend about a dozen couples will be waiting their turn.

Comes the summer and dozens more will be setting off blithely for "the village of romance."

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NOT AGAIN

These same mums and dads will also suffer the indignity and humiliation of being pursued by fearful mums and outraged dads.

Only it isn't funny. Often it takes years to heal the breach between the runaway children and their parents. Sometimes they never speak again.

If you talk to runaways, as I have done, they will try to

convince you that they will all be happy ever after.

But most of them admit: "If we have children we wouldn't like them to endure the same troubles."

M.P.s and Church of Scotland leaders have cried out against the scandal of Gretna weddings. When is it going to end?

At last there is hope. Two months ago proposals were published in a White Paper which would make child custody and ward-of-court orders enforceable throughout the United Kingdom. Gretna Green run-away marriages would then become much more difficult.

I say this Gretna scandal should be stopped completely. Put an end now to the sorry episodes which bring so much heartbreak to parents and probably to some of the youngsters themselves in the uncertain years ahead.

BANG! and death whizzed past my nose

THE big man levelled his rifle at me. He took quick aim. I closed my eyes tight and my lips started to tremble. . . . A split second later "Crack!"

A .22 bullet whistled within an inch of my clenched teeth nervously holding a slim piece of chalk which shattered from the force of the deadly missile.

I slowly opened my eyes. It was all over and I was still alive.

I took the remaining half of the chalk from my teeth and 72-year-old Captain George Edwards-Carr lowered his smoking rifle and laughed. "Don't worry, son, I'll do it blindfolded when I get time for practice."

I smiled feebly and walked shakily back to my table. However, as I watched the world's oldest sharp-shooter, stuntman—cum-magician—I quickly recovered from my understandable attack of nerves.

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for that act," he later said modestly.

The spotlights went out and the curtain closed with thunderous applause from an audience that had never witnessed such feats in their lives.

Seconds later the amazing stuntman drew up a chair and sat himself at my table.

"Well, sort of a story do you want?" he asked.

"Everything you can tell me, Captain."

"Well, son, that would probably take a book, but briefly I started working when I was eight in Canada, he said.

"It was while I was working in a shooting gallery at the age of 10 that I met the famous Buffalo Bill."

"For a whole thrilling year, while only a strip of a kid, I had the privilege to work with and watch the greatest cowboy of them all."

Houdini

"That was just on 62 years ago, boy, and I've been in show business ever since."

"In the early stages of my career I did all the shooting scenes for Tom Mix and William Hart, the screen cowboys."

"As a matter of fact I'm even wearing Tom's original ten gallon hat right now... that's Bill's over there in the corner."

"I've worked with them all—Mae West in 1921, several times with the great Charlie Chaplin, and dozens more."

"I've been a stunt man, a tight-wire walker, a promoter and a major in the British Army."

"Some of the older residents of Hongkong who lived in the 'good old days' would remember me as the Houdini of Shanghai."

By

Steve Dunleavy

CHINA MAIL REPORTER

"I used to do the usual stuff of jumping into the sea with handcuffs on."

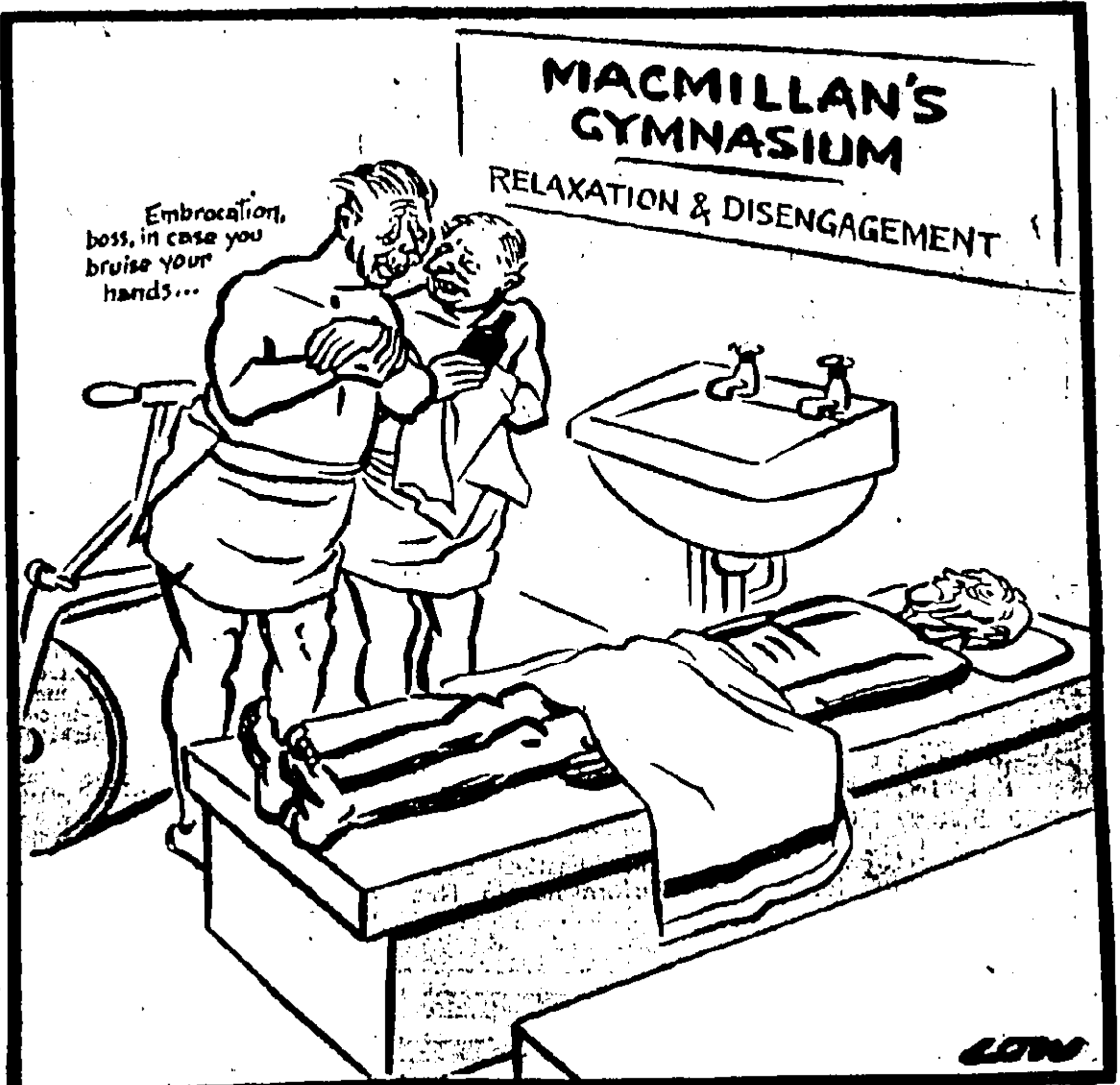
Princess

"Once, while in Shanghai, I even challenged Houdini—but he didn't accept," he added.

The Captain has spent most of his life during the Second World War and the years following it, in the Orient.

During this time he has performed on many occasions before India's leading Maharajahs.

At this stage he flaked across the table a photograph of him performing in the Sultan of Johore Palace. A congenial



Dr. ADENAUER'S MESSAGE

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ME and SATCHMO

BY ROBIN DOUGLAS-HOME

"I AM," confessed Ed Murrow, "a musical moron. But if I had to choose one person to send to the Soviet Union to improve relations, in terms of audience reaction, I'd pick Louis Armstrong."

"He wouldn't put a foot wrong, publicly or privately, Armstrong and 'The Saints' He's a non-political animal not interested in ideological will for you."

"He'd have a jam session with anyone, and I imagine he'd get on well with Mr. Khrushchev—same sense of humour, same fondness for good stories."

The grilling inquirer of Presidents and Prime Ministers had said to me: "There's nothing I'd like more than to talk about Louis."

I asked if the much-adored saying that Satchmo was America's best good—will ambassador contained more just than truth.

DECENT GUY

"There's a lot in it," he said. "And there's a curious angle here: America must export her underprivileged."

"It's the best thing we can do to improve our standing with other countries. Folk-music is something exportable and one who's been subjected to all the social sanctions that apply to his people in America."

"Would the Russians export an Armenian chorus? Or the British a West Indian? By doing this we give the impression that we are more tolerant than we are."

"For instance, I once read a letter from a Swiss watch-

maker saying that Louis Armstrong and 'The Saints' made up for the American tariff on Swiss watches. That's good conflicts."

How would he describe Satchmo the person?

"A dedicated person who never quits trying for perfection. A refusal to coast, to be defeated by secondary victories. He had a rough childhood. Very rough. But there's no trace of bitterness, only an unsophisticated, almost childlike quality about him."

"I'm sure he hasn't a clue what money he has or what happens to it."

"All this laughter and enthusiasm is no act, you know. The only reason he calls everyone 'Daddy' is he can't remember names."

I asked about Louis's outspoken attack on the handling of the Little Rock crisis two years ago. "Louis has never been a crusader to break the colour-bar or anything like that. This was just an outburst from a decent guy, saying what he felt."

Who had first called him Satchmo?

"As a boy in New Orleans, Louis was always called Dippen. It was an editor of a British paper who first called him Satchelmouth. Louis made it Satchmo."

"But the best description I ever heard of Louis's voice was 'like a tired piece of sandpaper calling for its mate.'"

POCKET CARTOON by OSBERT LANCASTER

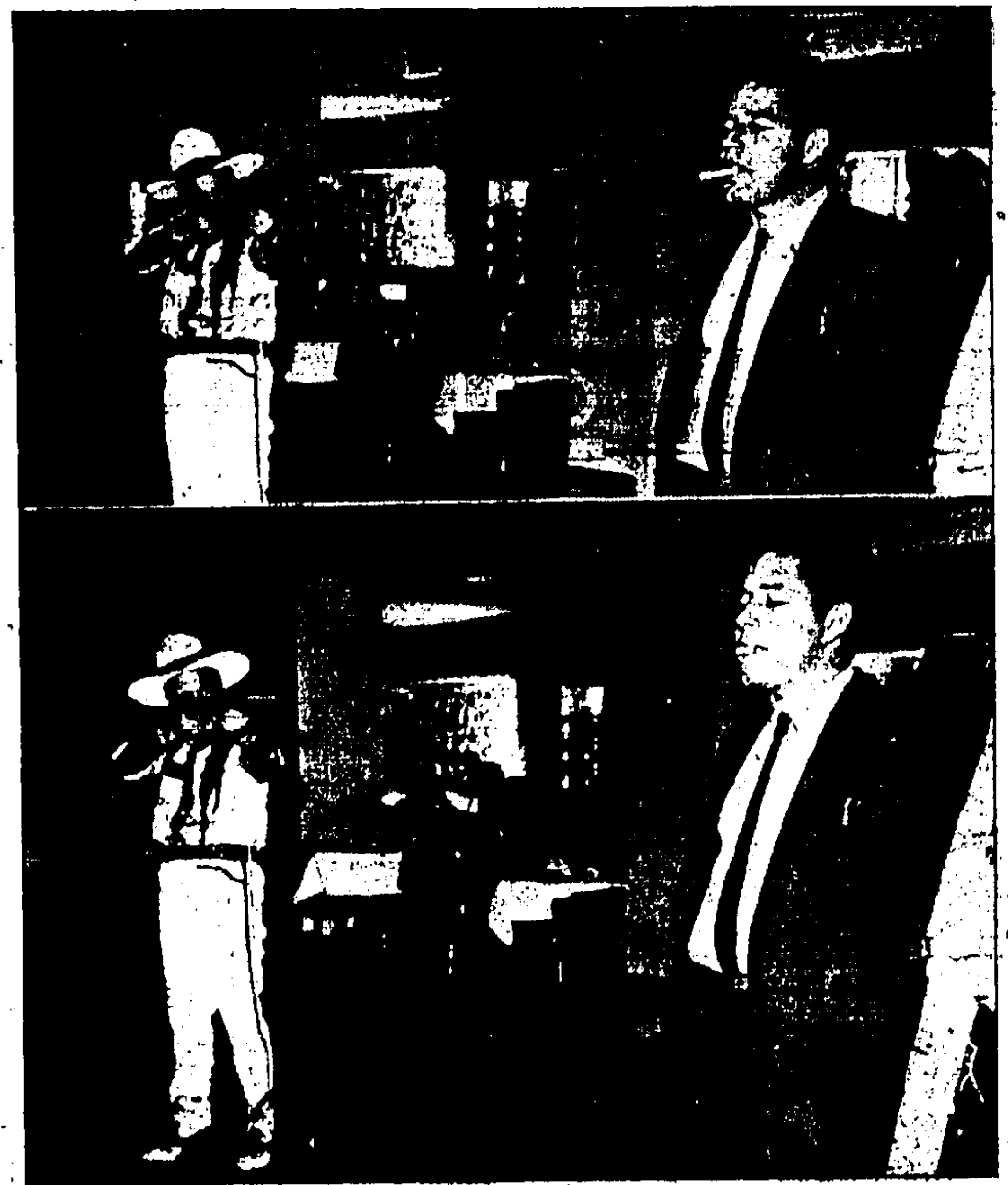


"Now please don't ask me why—just accept the fact that the whole situation is quite, quite different!"



"Tell me, darling, who exactly is it who approves of approved schools and why?"

London Express Service.



REPORTER DUNLEAVY gulps hard and closes his eyes, as Captain Edwards-Carr, aged 72, takes aim at a piece of chalk in his mouth (top). Then—"CRACK!"—and a .22 calibre bullet neatly cuts the chalk in half (bottom).

Before packed audiences all over the world and especially in the Orient Captain Edwards-Carr has thrilled spectators of every age, colour and class. "I get a tremendous kick out of performing. I don't do it for money. Goodness knows how many times I've been broke, but that's show business all over."

"Freak"

"These days I just live for shooting—I have accomplished such a lot of shooting tricks in my 72 years. I often wonder how many more I'll accomplish by the time I'm 82."

"And in all these years of show shooting and dangerous hunting I've never had an accident or mishap... touch wood," he added.

The Captain freely admitted that his phenomenal shooting ability lies in his eyes, which he describes as "freaks."

"Doctors say that they are magnifying eyes," he said.

"Eight years ago I was wearing glasses then one day they dropped off and I found I could see better with them off, so I have never worn them since," he explained.

He further revealed the secret of his success by telling how he aims.

"Both eyes open boy, just both of 'em open... none of this fancy squinting," he stressed.

"Mother Nature gave us both eyes to see out of and keep open, and she has not made a mistake in a long time."

He then eased back in his chair and my eyes popped as he twisted with amazing skill his six-shooter around his finger.

"Yeah that's right, while we're on the subject of eyesight, how about trying that chalk trick now—with me being blind-folded?"

I gulped hard and discretion won. After all even reporters are human.

WOMANSENSE

LADY LUCK

your
CHINA MAIL
horoscope

WEDNESDAY, DECEMBER 2

AQUARIUS (January 21-February 19): The cause of your recent disagreement with a friend having been removed, you must do your very best to recover your former pleasant relationship.

PISCES (February 20-March 20): You may find yourself in a state of bewilderment about an unusual situation; however, given sufficient time, you will adjust yourself to it.

ARIES (March 21-April 19): Every person you meet has some worth while quality, and you should try and discover it before forming a biased impression.

TAURUS (April 20-May 20): You are fortunate in being able to put everything that comes your way to profitable use.

GEMINI (May 21-June 21): If you are celebrating an anniversary today, you should feel grateful for the happiness the past years have brought you.

CANCER (June 22-July 21): Beware of tears shed by a hypocritical person; they are not the expression of genuine emotion.

LEO (July 22-August 21): A person you will meet today could net rather sharp-

ly if given the chance, and you ought to be on your guard.

VIRGO (August 22-September 22): Hesitating between two alternatives, you must realize that the result will be much the same whichever you choose.

LIBRA (September 23-October 22): You can be assured that the arrangement which your superior has made for you will be fair to all concerned.

SCORPIO (October 23-November 21): After having considered all angles, you must make your final decision soon as to whether or not to change your domicile.

SAGITTARIUS (November 22-December 21): You should approach your superior resolutely with the request you feel you are entitled to make.

CAPRICORN (December 22-January 20): All circumstances seem to combine to make your long planned meeting with some estranged friends a great success.

YOUR LUCKY CARD:
If today is your birthday, your lucky card, no matter what game you may be playing, ought to be the SEVEN OF HEARTS.



It's made from duck feathers and so, naturally, its waterproof!

CHILDREN'S CORNER

The Day It Happened

—Christopher Recalls A Moving Experience—

By MAX TRELL
CHRISTOPHER Cricket came out from between the two loose bricks of the fireplace. He stood still for a moment, looking around the room. Then he walked across to the window and put his face close to the glass and looked out.

Looked Like Rain
It was late afternoon. The sky was heavy with clouds. It hadn't yet started to rain but it looked as if it might at any moment. A cold wind was blowing the dried leaves of the trees. Christopher Cricket sighed and said to himself: "It was on a day just like this. Yes, it was on a day just like this."

No Uniforms
These girls live in bed-sitting rooms in her part of the house, do not wear uniforms, drop organized games, and work on the tutorial system. This way, Miss Dodds hopes to bridge the gap between school and the outside world.

And most important of all—
to help her pupils to grow up gracefully.

over to the window. Chris turned around and smiled at a look of surprise was in his eyes. "Oh, I didn't know you were in this room," he said to Knarf and Hanid. "I thought I'd take a look out of the window and see what was doing outside."

Chris Smiled
Christopher Cricket smiled again. "I was only thinking to myself," he said. "I was saying that it was on a day just like this that it happened."

What happened? asked Hanid. "What I meant to say," said Christopher, "is that it was on a day like this that I first got to this house. I remember it perfectly."

Knarf and Hanid begged
Christopher to tell them all about the first day that he had come to the house.



Chris turned around and smiled at the Shadows.

outside. I could see Mother and Father sitting in their chairs. Father was reading. Mother was knitting. The Children were looking at a book. The Cat was dozing in one corner and the Dog was sleeping in another. A low fire was burning in the fireplace.

Wanted To Live There
"How I'd love to live in that house," I said. "If only I could come in."

"At that moment the bell rang. Father opened the door. 'Come in,' he said. 'Come in.' 'So in I went,' said Christopher. 'Two other people came in, too. It was Grandmother and Grandfather. One of them had rung the bell.'

Suggest Place

"And as soon as I got into the house," said Christopher, "I hopped straight across the floor and found myself the snugest place in the room. I moved in between two loose bricks in the fireplace."

"And that's where I've spent every winter ever since. Mother didn't notice me. Father didn't notice me. The Dog didn't notice, neither did the Cat. But the Children heard me playing my guitar and they cried: 'Cricket has come to live with us! Cricket has come to stay!'"

Likes To Remember
"Of course I'll tell you," said Christopher. "I like to remember it."

It happened quite a few
years ago. The wind was blowing. The sky was thick with clouds. It looked as if it was going to rain. I didn't have a place to live in."

"I thought you lived out in the garden," said Knarf. "I did," replied Christopher. "I lived under a dandelion. But the dandelion had turned white and one by one, the white tufts went blowing away in the wind."

Cold And Lost
"By late afternoon, there was nothing over my head but the open sky. I was cold. I didn't know what to do or where to go."

Christopher Cricket sighed again. "And all of a sudden," Christopher went on, "I noticed a light in this house."

"I came closer and looked in through the window from the

Rupert and the Whistlefish—35



The old man evidently does not want to hear about Sailer Sam and he leads Rupert along the causeway to the island. This time the huge doors are open and the guards stand aside, looking at the little boy with beaming smiles. "What's happened?" asks

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WOMEN AT THE TOP Kathleen Could Be Princess Anne's Headmistress

by Alex Gill

"ROYAL Tot for School?" screamed the headline in an American newspaper. There followed an article speculating whether Princess Anne would be educated at home by governesses, or sent to boarding school. And if the Queen did decide to break with tradition, which school would the Princess attend?

Hottest tip at the moment is "Heathfield." Princess Alexandra was at this school. So, too, was Princess Faziell, once the fiancée of King Faisal, and countless debutantes and daughters of the English aristocracy.

Elegant And Charming

Headmistress is Kathleen Dodds, an elegant and charming woman in her forties who looks nothing like the typical headmistress—and is very tired of being told so.

She is also tired of people who say: "I thought your school was just for girls who are not going to do anything when they grow up."

When the post of headmistress was offered to her in 1946, Heathfield—near world famous Ascot racecourse in Berkshire—had a well-justified reputation as a home-from-home for daughters of the rich and the titled.

Since then, Miss Dodds has spent all her time and energy turning it into her idea of the ideal girls' school.

"Frankly, I don't like boarding schools for girls at all," she says. "Particularly not those that are modelled on boys' public schools."

Strict Discipline

"They're set in a rigid mould of classical education, strict discipline and organized games—playing—a completely unnatural environment for girls which only produces unfeminine, uncultivated young women."

In 13 years Kathleen Dodds has raised the scholastic standard and produced a more natural atmosphere, encouraging an interest in language and the arts instead of mere book-learning.

She chooses her staff, both men and women, very carefully, giving preference to those who have a broad experience of life and have done things other than teaching.

Most interesting of her experiments is with her seniors—usually about 10 girls who are working for University.

No Uniforms

These girls live in bed-sitting rooms in her part of the house, do not wear uniforms, drop organized games, and work on the tutorial system. This way, Miss Dodds hopes to bridge the gap between school and the outside world.

And most important of all—to help her pupils to grow up gracefully.

JACOBY on BRIDGE

HENRY BAER of Dallas is another new life master after the Houston tournament. Playing with my son Jim, Henry capitalised on a partnership misunderstanding to come up with a good score.

East chose to open one club instead of one diamond for reasons best known to himself. West responded one spade and Jim sitting North made a two club overcall.

This had to be a real club suit, not a cue bid, but Henry had a short brainstorm and bid three hearts after East went to two spades. West passed and Jim

CARD SENSE

Q—The bidding has been:
East South West North
1♣ 1♠ 1♥ 1NT.
Pass ?
You, South, hold:
♠A Q 7 6 5 4 3 2
♥K Q J 10 9 8 7 6 5 4 3 2
♦A K Q J 10 9 8 7 6 5 4 3 2
♣A K Q J 10 9 8 7 6 5 4 3 2

A—This is one of those partnership situations. You might bid either two or three no-trump or three hearts. The important thing is to make some strong bid and not to get past the three no-trump level.

TODAY'S QUESTION
Instead of bidding one no-trump your partner has responded with one spade to your double. What do you do?

Answer Tomorrow

NORTH		21	
♠ 2			
♥ K Q 10 4			
♦ 6 4			
♣ A Q J 9 8 5			
WEST		EAST (D)	
♠ A Q 10 5		♠ K J 3	
♥ J 9 7 5		♥ 6 3	
♦ K J 10 5		♦ A Q 9 2	
♣ None		♣ K 6 3	
SOUTH			
♠ 8 7 4			
♥ A 8 2			
♦ 8 7 3			
♣ 10 7 2 4			
Both vulnerable			
East	South	West	North
1 ♠	Pass	1 ♠	2 ♠
2 ♠	3 ♠	Pass	4 ♠
Pass	Pass	Double	Pass
Pass	5 ♣	Double	Pass
Pass	Pass		
Opening lead—♠ 3			

Disappointing Fights At Wembley

MIKE DE JOHN GAINS CONTROVERSIAL WIN OVER DICK RICHARDSON

BRIAN LONDON RETIRES IN 7th ROUND

London, Dec. 1.

American Mike De John, one of the "first man" among world heavyweights, gained a controversial points decision over Dick Richardson of Wales in a 10-round bout at the Empire Pool, Wembley, here tonight.

There was booing from the capacity crowd of 10,500 when referee Bill Williams, without hesitation, raised De John's hand in victory.

It was a disappointing contest of much mauling and wrestling, which received the slow hand clap of disappointment in the fifth round and which brought numerous warnings from the referee.

Silver Spoon Named U.S. Champion Filly

New Orleans, Dec. 1. The Thoroughbred Racing Association's selection board today named C. V. (Sonny) Whitney's Silver Spoon the champion three-year-old filly of 1959.

P. L. Gieson's Royal Native was runner-up and the Wheatley Stable High Bid and the King Ranch's Resaca also received votes in the balloting by the 25-member board composed of racing secretaries at the TRA tracks.

MUSIC-LOVING

The Brookmeade Stable's Sword Dancer, previously named American champion and best three-year-old of the season.

Silver Spoon, a music-loving tomboy who always has a radio playing at her stable door, is a chestnut daughter of Citation and Silver Fox.

Silver Spoon started 11 times, won six races and earned \$178,475.—AP.

New Organisation To Promote Johansson And Patterson Fight

New York, Dec. 1. Fledgling promoter Joe Tepper told a press conference this afternoon that he would announce later today a new major boxing organisation and its plans for staging world heavyweight champion Ingemar Johansson's next title defence.

Tepper returned from a visit to Johansson and his adviser, Edwin Ahlquist, in Sweden.

A former executive secretary of the New York State Athletic Commission, Tepper visited Sweden twice within a month to negotiate with Johansson and Ahlquist.

The New Yorker hopes to promote the Johansson-Patterson return fight in New York this June.

Ahlquist said last week that Tepper has a very good chance to promote the fight.

Tepper has declined to name his backers except to say they were reputable, wealthy New York businessmen.—AP.

HONGKONG BOXING LOSES A STAUNCH SUPPORTER

W. A. Whiting Leaves Colony After 5 Years As HKABA President

By ANDREW SLOAN
China Mail Reporter

The Hongkong Amateur Boxing Association will be losing one of its staunchest and hard-working office-holders when Mr W. A. Whiting leaves the Colony early this month to take up his new post with Rediffusion in London.

For the past six years Mr Whiting has been Managing Director of Rediffusion (HK) Ltd, and for five of those years he has served as President of the HKABA.

In an interview with the China Mail, he said, with a smile, "In 1954 I was involved in matters boxing in the Colony, and was honoured to accept Presidency of the Association."

Dual Capacity

"At that time Brig Young was Chairman of the HKABA, and my introduction to boxing in Hongkong coincided with his departure for Singapore."

In fact, until the recent meeting of the HKABA, Mr Whiting was serving in the dual capacity of President and Chairman.

"As we have been so successful in the past few years, I have decided to step down as Chairman, but I will leave the Colony for the UK as President. Unfortunately, I will be leaving before our first

competition of the season."

In the years since Mr Whiting took over as head of the HKABA, interest in boxing has spread throughout the Colony.

Sad To Leave

"I was very glad to see the Police boxing team take shape last season, and I understand they will be instituting an inter-unit championship, which should do much to spread further interest in the sport."

Mr Whiting said he would like to see some of the big sporting organisations in the

Ramchand To Lead India In Test Match

Bombay, Dec. 1.

The Indian Cricket Board of Control, today appointed 23-year-old G. S. Ramchand of Bombay state to captain the Indian team in its first Test against Australia which opens at New Delhi on December 12.

Ramchand will also lead India in the second Test at Kanpur starting on December 19.

Except for minor changes the Indian Test team is the same as the eleven which India fielded against the West Indies and England in its last Test series.

A noteworthy inclusion is Abbas Ali Baig, the young Oxford University player who made a great impression playing for India in the last two Tests against England this year.

The new Test cap is collegiate player B. K. Kunderab, the team's "baby".

THE TEAM

India's Test team is: G. S. Ramchand (Captain), Nari Contractor, Pankaj Roy, Abbas Ali Baig, Polly Umrigar, C. G. Borde, R. G. Nandkarni, P. C. Joshi, V. M. Muddiah, R. B. D'Sal and Surendra Nath, Twelfth man—B. K. Kunderab, Reserves—Ghulam Guard and N. S. Tamhane.—AFP.

No Australian Decision Yet On Open Tennis

Melbourne, Dec. 1. Australia's attitude to Open tennis tournaments would be decided next February, Mr Donald Ferguson, president of the Australian Lawn Tennis Association, said today.

He was commenting on a London report that Australia, holders of the Davis Cup, had failed to reply to a questionnaire, circulated by the International Lawn Tennis Federation, on the amateur-professional problem.

Mr Ferguson said the Australian association had replied to some of the questions, but he did not think an answer on the Open tournament question was wanted urgently at this stage.—Reuter.



W. A. WHITING

Colony have their own boxing teams. "A big organisation like South China Athletic Association should have a boxing section," he said.

Naturally, after six years in Hongkong, Mr Whiting is said to leave. "I love the place, the climate, and the people, especially the people," he said.

"But at the same time I am looking forward to return to my hometown, London, where I was born 51 years ago."

Mr Whiting has been a keen supporter here for the past five years, but he never really hit the jackpot until this year.

Horse Owner

It was only last year that he became an owner when he purchased the pony Steadfast.

In April this year, Steadfast "brought home the bacon" in the Shropshire Stakes.

In three outings, Steadfast won once, placed second, and was unsuccessful in a third.

With that success, the horse went up one class and was entered in this year's Kwangtung Handicap. Unfortunately Steadfast was injured in this race and at one stage it looked as though it would have to be destroyed by the vet.

However, the severed tendon was sewn up, and the latest news is that Steadfast appears to have a reasonable prospect, Mr Whiting said.

Mr Whiting will be leaving on December 9, by ship for Durban where he will visit a relative and have a short holiday. He will then continue round the Cape by ship, arriving in the UK in mid-March, "when I hope the worst of winter will be over," he added with a wry grin.

ALEX OLMEDO TURNS PRO

SIGNS UP WITH KRAMER FOR MINIMUM OF \$35,000 A YEAR

Los Angeles, Dec. 1.

Amateur tennis champion Alex Olmedo today formally turned professional for a guarantee in excess of U.S.\$35,000 for one year.

The long-anticipated signing was announced by promoter Jack Kramer with the 23-year-old Peruvian net star standing by.

The "in excess of \$35,000" guarantee came from Olmedo's attorney, Dan Gage. Kramer added that his new pro rookie by conservative estimate should earn around \$50,000, and if he was unusually successful in his freshman tour with the pros it could amount to \$80,000 or more.

"I like the pro, that's why I'm joining Kramer," Olmedo said.

"For a while, everybody will be tough. But I hope to do all right."

Kramer said there will be the usual tournament slotted for next summer and Olmedo and one or two of the others will make a special trip to South America for several weeks.

Pro Debut

Olmedo, the 1959 Wimbledon champion and holder of the United States Davis Cup victory in 1958, will make his pro tournament debut in Melbourne on December 26 and his U.S. bow in Los Angeles' new Sports Arena on January 29-30.

Olmedo expressed gratification with the terms of his contract which has certain options and is based on what he hopes will be a long range term.

Alex, after his brief Australian trip, will wind up some of his schooling at the University of Southern California and early next year will embark on a 65-match tour with the Kramer troupe.

The Kramer tour will include 35 matches in U.S., 10 or 12 in Australia and the remainder in Europe, Japan and the Philippines.

Players definitely set are the defending champion, Pancho Gonzales, Ken Rosewall and Olmedo. Two more will be selected from among Frank Sedgman, Pancho Segura, Lew Hoad and Tony Trabert.

Kramer said Hoad and Trabert are still undecided whether to go on this tour, which will end in Australia in April.

OLYMPIC CHERRIES

Rome, Dec. 1. Young Japanese cherry trees, a gift from the city of Tokyo to Rome and the Italian Olympic Committee, were unloaded from the Japanese ship Sanuki Maru at Genoa today.

The trees will be planted along the avenues leading to the main Olympic Games installations for 1960.—AFP.

CHESS NEWS

by LEONARD BARDEN

England's selectors have chosen a strong team for the annual match against Holland, to be played at the Dooty Chess Club in Cheltenham on October 24-25. In playing order it is: Penrose, Clarke, Alexander, Barden, Hargrave, Wade, Miles-Barry (captain), Caffery, Mardie and Littlewood.

The chief interest will be in how the two youngsters Hargrave and Littlewood, who did so well in the British championship, will fare in their first serious international competition.

Holland's side is the more experienced and on paper will start favourites. They will be headed by the former world champion, Dr. Max Euwe. Solution No. 5727: 1... R-R6 ch; 2 resigns.

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Sports Diary

TO-DAY
Presentation of certificates by Mr Chan Nam-cheung and annual dinner at Ying King Restaurant, 130 p.m.
Rugby
Combined Civilians v Army at HKFC stadium, 7.15 p.m.
Cricket
Arrival of Bangkok cricketers.
Hampshire
Men's "B" Division: CCC v India Club, St Theresa's v CYMCA, Grantam v Chung Cheong.

Combined Civilians Take On Army In Tonight's Feature Rugby Match

By PAK LO

Another major rugby match has been scheduled by the HKRU for this evening.

This big game between Army and Combined Civilians at 7.15 p.m. at the Club ground is expected to really draw the crowds, for there are on offer the ingredients of a first class game with all the thrills and spills of a UK County match.

The Combined Civilians will undoubtedly start as favourites for both the Club and the Police are definitely among the top contenders for the Pentagonal honours so that any combination of these two must be treated as a very serious proposition for the Army.

In the other evening match the Wanderers take on 49 Field Regiment in what should be a fast and exciting little game without the finesse of the big match. This game is arranged to start at 6.00 p.m. and will also be under floodlight.

Afternoon Games

There are only two games fixed for this afternoon, the third game between the 1st Lanes and the Tanks having had to be cancelled as the Tanks are on an exercise which precludes them from making an appearance.

These two matches are both scheduled to start at the same time, to wit, 3.15 p.m. on adjoining grounds. On the Police ground in Boundary Street the remainder of the Police who are not selected for tonight's major fixture will be at home to 32 Medium Regiment, while on the other pitch on the Army ground the 5th Field take on the RASC.

In the Army-Civilian game the latter take the field with the odds definitely on their side, for they have without question the much better halves and far

faster and smoother three line, which is strong throughout in defence and attack.

The Civilian forwards are fairly heavy, and are a definite danger in the loose. In the line-out they have been shown how to deal with the Army's "terrible twins" Winn and Muntz by the Police.

The Army pack should show up well in the scrums with Simpson hooking for them, and should prove their worth in the loose, but although the Army has, in Smith and Davies, an excellent pair of halves, their three back three little extra punch that the Civilian back line has.

One Of Best

The Army, in this match cannot, against this strong pack, afford to keep the ball tight, for it is bound to come out often enough to the Civilians to give them a certain win in that case, and the Army's only hope of winning is to open the game wide. This of course is what the Civilians are certain to do so that as a spectacle this may be one of the best games of the season so far, and this column unhesitatingly backs the Civilians to win.

In the other match earlier on in the evening, Whitfield Wanderers are much weakened by the inclusion of quite a few of their players in the major match, but even this should leave them strong enough to

overcome 49 Field who have only appeared once to date and that early on in the season when they beat RASC by six points to three in an unspectacular game. The Wanderers with their greater experience should win this match.

At Their Weakest

Of the two afternoon matches more interest will lie in the Police versus 32nd Medium game for the Police are at their weakest for a long time, while 32nd Medium who have been on the receiving end of two consecutive losses over the last two weeks are still a good little team, who in this game should humble the Police, though the Police pack could reverse this forecast with their bustling tactics in the loose.

The other match looks like a certain win for the 5th Field for the Gunners have a strong pack and a fast and dangerous set of three, while the Corps lack practice.

Teams

The teams for tonight's major game are:

Army: McDonald, Bode-Cox, Martindale, Neal, Bennett, Davies, Smith, Whitmore, Simpson, Hope, Winn, Muntz, Williams, Walker, Fitzgerald.
Combined Civilians: Hobbs, Laville, Wiggett, Rlach, Inglis, Johnston, Tancock, Babbington, Kell, Williams, H. Ross, Orbler, Campbell, Steven, Penman.

THE GAMBOLS . . . by Barry Appleby



HOT WATER



KEN BARRINGTON

Ken Barrington is one of the few real hopes to emerge from the 1959 England cricket season. He scored 2,499 runs in all matches and was top scorer in the Tests with 357 in six innings.

With England batting so dependent on May and Cowdrey in recent series the hope is that Barrington will take some of the responsibility on his sturdy shoulders.

He can also render valuable service with the ball. This enthusiastic cricketer has devoted much time to developing his selftaught leg-breaks. Unfortunately, appearing in the same county side as specialist spinners Jim Laker and Tony Lock, Barrington has had little chance to practise his bowling. But England may be pleased to give him the chance in the Caribbean.

Dual Purpose Bat

Barrington is also a dual purpose batsman who can force the pace when the initiative is gained or dig in when the going is tough.

But when at 14 he left Keston Secondary School, Reading, he had no cricket ambitions. He liked turning his arm over but was more interested in the job he got as a mechanic in a local garage.

His former schoolmaster, however, seeing the cricket promise in him, suggested he took a job as assistant groundman to the Reading Club. A few games, a few wickets and young Barrington became the most successful cricketer in England when he received an invitation to play for Surrey.

He was still primarily a bowler and it was not until he hit scores of 170 and 250 for Surrey's second eleven that his

battling attracted attention. In 1955 he gained a regular place in the Surrey first team and in the same season was picked for England.

Began With A Duck

He began with a duck. He did not get another hundred in that match and, poked again, his 24 was top score in his England innings of 115.

But it was a chancy knock and did not save him from the selectors' axe. He did not return to Test cricket until 1959.

Barrington puts a lot into cricket and is philosophical about the game's varying fortunes. After getting his first Test duck in a generally painful taking England innings he declared, "Well at least they can't criticise me for slow scoring."

SPORTS PICTORIAL



ABOVE: Mrs M. A. Bradbury and Partners' Johnber (No. 6), ridden by P. Plumby, romps home to a 1 1/4 length win over Sincerely Yours (No. 10) in the six furlong race for Class 3 ponies at the second day of the Fourth Race Meeting at Happy Valley last Saturday. In third place is King Kong (No. 7). In a favourites' day, Johnber paid the comparatively good dividend of \$17.40.

RIGHT: Mr C. H. Fu's Pandora (No. 7) puts in that extra bit near the finishing post to edge out Star of Stars (No. 9) and produce the only major upset of last Saturday's Race Meeting. Pandora's win in the short sprint event for Class 2 ponies gave its backers the handsome dividend of \$20.50. The other ponies in the photo are Permanent View (No. 8) and the top favourite Jingle Bell (No. 3).

BELOW: The main event of Saturday's Race Meeting—the St Andrew's Stakes for Class 3 ponies over the champion distance—was won by Mr B. W. Bradbury's Lynner, with P. Plumby in the saddle. Snapped in a group photo after the presentation of the St Andrew's Plate to the winning owner are (from left to right): The Hon H. D. M. Barton, Messrs J. F. Macgregor, D. B. Evans, Mrs C. G. Smith, Messrs A. H. Penn, C. G. Smith, A. H. Potts, D. Mack, B. W. Bradbury, Mrs S. A. Fowler, Messrs D. Benson and P. Plumby. —China Mail photos.



RIGHT: The final of the Civil Aid Services mini-soccer tournament was played off last week between Yau-mai Zone and Rescue (HK) Unit and ended in a draw.

Photo shows Mr S. T. Louey, J.P., CAS Assistant Commissioner being introduced to the players by Mr N. Leonard, the soccer convenor prior to the match. — China Mail Photo.



Peter May, skipper of the MCC cricket team to tour the West Indies shortly returned last week to the game for the first time since his recent illness. At his first net practice, May showed that he had lost none of his skill and power.

Above photo shows May driving forcefully at the nets at the Alf Grover Cricket School in Wandsworth.—Central Press Photo.

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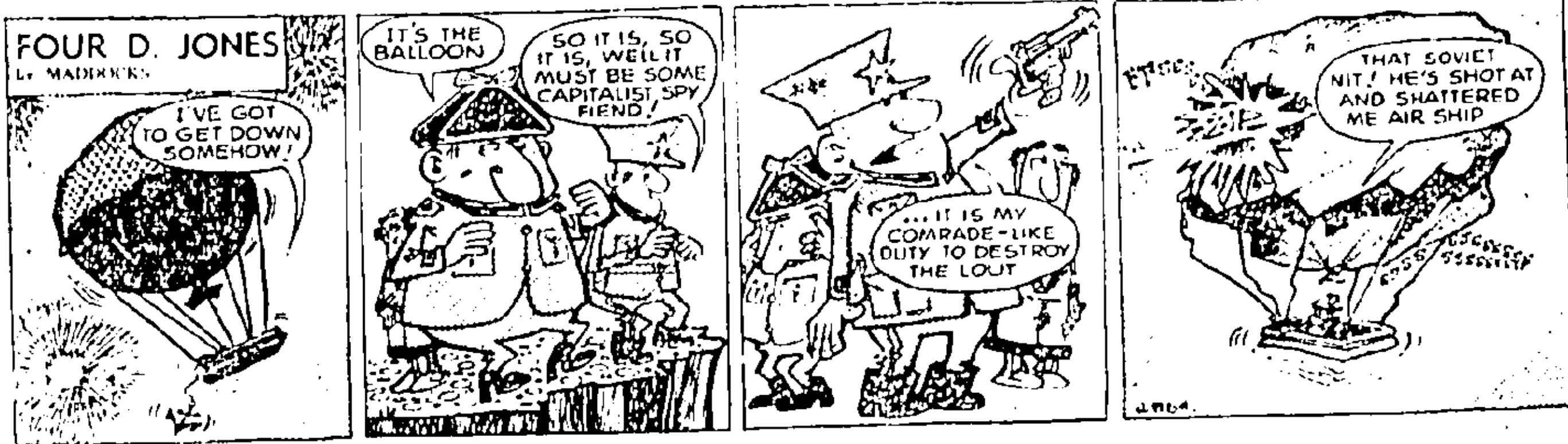
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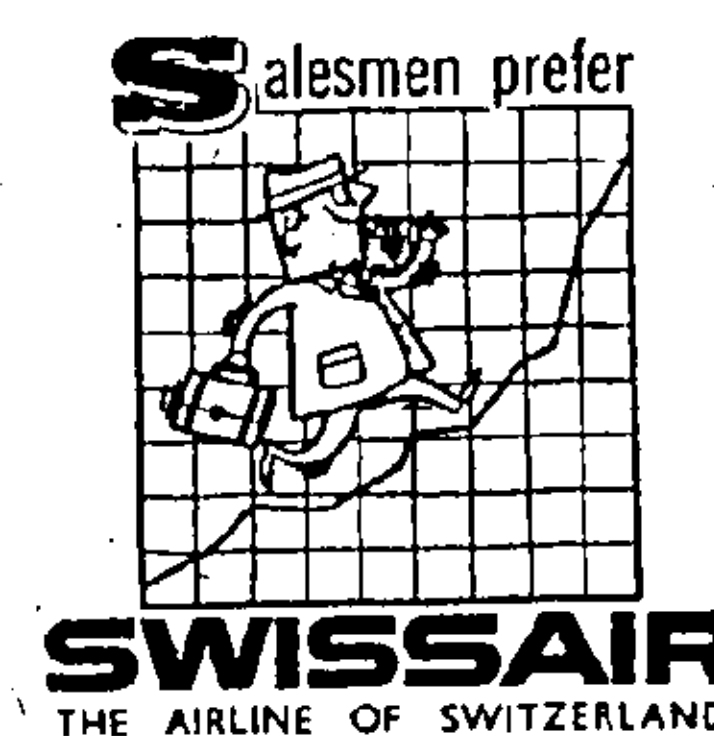
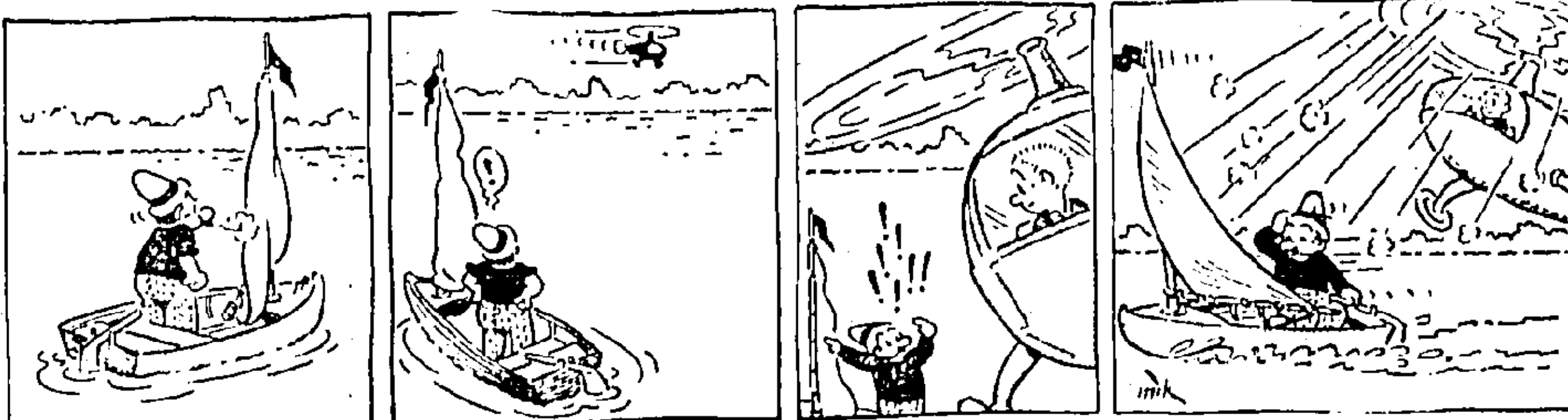
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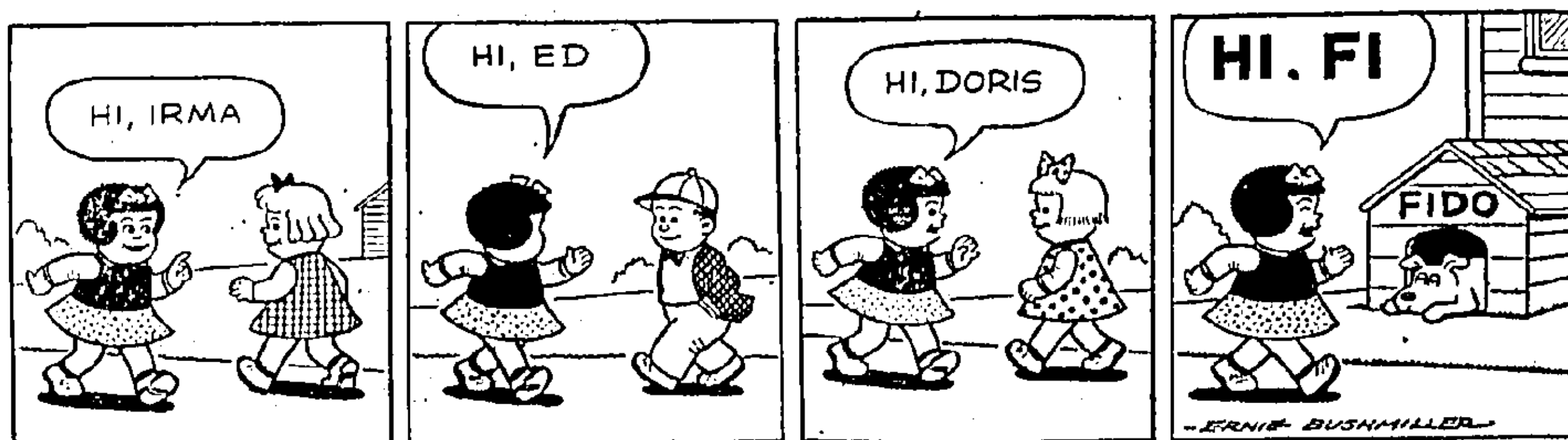
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By Paul Norris



Bobby Lowesin, 28-year-old Cowes dental surgeon, has been voted Britain's Yachtsman of the Year by a panel of yachting journalists.

Pictured here dancing with his wife, Lowesin last season entered 22 passage and offshore races, won 15 and was placed in six others. His two major triumphs were winning the Gold Homan Challenge Cup for the annual 60-mile round-the-Isle-of-Wight race, and coming first in Class III in the classic 685-mile Fastnet race.—London Express photo.



Transtman, the Manchester City goalkeeper—with one of the defences in attendance—flies through the air to make a fine save during the first division league match between West Ham and Manchester City recently. Manchester City won 4-1. —Express photo.

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One medal will be presented to WO1 (Conductor) Jack Rice, RAOC. He joined the Corps in 1941 and has seen service in India, Singapore, Germany and Egypt. Most of his service career has been spent working with ammunition.

The other recipient is WO1 (SQMS) James Henry McNeill, RAOC. A vehicle expert, he joined the Army in 1941 and has served in North Africa, Italy, Austria and Egypt. His wife and three children are with him in the Colony.

Football Pools

(Continued from Page 1)
the United Kingdom. The Netherlands (the most recent to legalize Pool Betting), or Hong Kong.

"It is hoped that the Hong Kong Government will view this 'legal technicality' in this light. Hong Kong's gambling laws, as at present on the Statute Books are designed for the rich alone. Today, with the emphasis on leisure, employment and welfare for the working classes in Hong Kong, let us not forget the worker's need, too, for entertainment," the statement concluded.

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Brian Trains To Be A Drummer In Hospital



Brian beats it out with the chopsticks.

CHINA MAIL REPORTER

Dark haired, good looking, osteomyelitis victim Brian Sylva, 13, has made a golden rule since he has been in hospital—he's never without his chopsticks and chow tin.

"It's going to help me in my career," Brian said cheerfully today.

But Brian doesn't intend to be a chef when he grows up.

The Break

"No man, I want to be an entertainer," Brian said to explain his golden rule. Brian quickly flipped the chopsticks upside down and...

"Listen to this break, man," Brian said, and he enthusiastically picked up his chopsticks and started to blaze away on the top of the tin. Brian later explained that he had been caught only in practice but when he plays seriously, "I really give it everything I got."

Brian, who has been in hospital for the last two-and-a-half months with osteomyelitis which attacked him in the left leg, has not let his disability affect him.

All Kinds

"At least it has given me plenty of opportunity to practice and to learn songs," he said. "But I'll be alright soon and then I can really get things moving."

Lady Bastyan Visiting Welfare Centre

Lady Bastyan, wife of the Commander, British Forces, will tomorrow morning visit the Combined Services Welfare Centre, Whitfield Barracks, Kowloon. She will be met by Mrs J. M. A. Chestnut (Chairman of the Kowloon Army Welfare Families Committee) and be conducted round the Centre by the Chairman (Mrs T. G. Barker) and other members of the Central Committee. This Combined Services Welfare Centre was opened last March and each day is the hub of purposeful activity as servicemen's wives participate in various pursuits. Apart from games mornings, the Wives Club hold regular meetings and a SAAFA Sister runs a weekly baby clinic. There is also an extensive lending library.

US Naval Ships Arrive

The USS Wilkinson (destroyer leader), USS Romo (submarine) and USS Trathen (destroyer) arrived this morning on an eight-day recreational visit.

Two more American naval ships, the Jarvis (destroyer) and the Vega (supply ship) are due to arrive this afternoon.

Handbag Snatched

A handbag was snatched from a Chinese woman walking in Nathan Road at about 9.30 p.m. yesterday. The handbag contained \$375 in cash and jewellery valued at \$1,755.

Letters To The Editor

Labour Policy

Sir—Are you not expecting a great deal too much of the Labour Party when in the name of realism you encourage it, as you do in Monday's editorial, to jettison the policy of nationalisation for the sake of popularity, in short to trim its sails and bend with the wind as Mr Douglas Jay would have it do? Nationalisation (whether in the form of administration by ownership, through a state-appointed board) is to the Labour mind not just a question of policy; it is part and parcel of the Socialist creed, since all Socialists must by definition believe that the modern state can only deliver the goods and avoid dictatorship of left or right through a system of planned economy necessitating state ownership of utilities and basic industries and state control of much that is at present left to private enterprise. The present extent of such control and the speed of its introduction may be open to argument among adherents of the faith but not the dogma of its inevitability.

The Labour Party therefore cannot rid itself of nationalisation and, I venture to suggest, will never want to. To suppose otherwise would be tantamount to saying that the Labour Party is not Socialist in inspiration, which surely is not the case in spite of the considerable accretion to its ranks of divers radicals who have been "realist" enough (in your interpretation of the word) to perceive that joining up with Labour's big battalions was the only hope of seeing their Liberal aspirations put into practice.

You might just as well chastise the Liberal Party for not throwing overboard its internationalism or belief in unilateral free trade for the sake of making itself "acceptable to the electorate." A tendency of late to do just that in some marginal constituencies was recently castigated in the "Editorial" and rightly deserved to be. Shall we live to see the day (after the pendulum has swung again) when the China Mail will be reproaching the Conservatives for clinging to their conservatism and thus depriving themselves of the chance of power for the next generation?

Are you not, in fact, being altogether too opportunistic in your outlook? Political parties, if they mean anything at all, exist to provide a focus for activities and aspirations of all those who accept a certain body of belief and are more or less

agreed about the policy which can best give expression to it. In other words they exist primarily to promote a creed and only secondarily to govern a people. Indeed, in many countries government is carried on through a perpetual coalition of parties and has proved itself none the worse for that. You on the other hand give the impression of believing that the main purpose of a party is to hold the reins of power at all costs—and to hell with principles if these stand in the way of its achievements.

By listening to this kind of advice, I would suggest, the present Tory Party has already gone a long way towards having no principles at all and will surely meet its day of retribution when the electorate comes to realise, as many have done already, that in the matter of sail-trimming there is little to choose between the two main parties.

By all means let us seek to convince more and more Labour voters that nationalisation is wrong, but in doing so we cannot avoid the corollary that socialism is wrong; and since refugees from one faith need to be given another quickly if they are not to perish utterly, it is to be hoped that the editorial columns of the China Mail will at increasingly frequent intervals over the next five years paint for us a picture of the kind of society a disillusioned ex-Socialist would reasonably be expected to want and to work for.

So much for the voter; he is there to be persuaded. You may probably advise the young lady of Riga to get off the back of the tiger, but it is unkind, not to say unreasonable, in you to expect the leopard to change his spots or the Socialist Party its soul.

DISCOBOLUS.

Krakatoa

Sir—In your issue of yesterday you referred to the volcano in the Sunda Strait as KRAKATOA. I have read several descriptions of this eruption and the spelling was always KRAKATOA.

Pears' gives both versions of the spelling KRAKATOA (1948 Edition) and KRAKATOA (1959-1960 Edition). The National Geographic Society in their map of Asia spells it KRAKATOA.

Will you or any of your readers, therefore, let us know which is the correct spelling for this famous volcano?

(Our style is based on the spelling in Encyclopaedia Britannica—Ed.)

BEWILDERED.

Detective Caught Three Men In Victoria Park

A detective sub-inspector testified this morning that he and a party of detectives arrested in Victoria Park, Causeway Bay, three of the eight accused, charged with various counts in connection with five armed robberies in Kowloon.

Gurkha Cross Country Race

The 48 Gurkha Infantry Brigade Group Cross Country Championships for 1959 will take place tomorrow starting and finishing on Sek Kong Airstrip. Teams have been entered by all major units and most minor units in the Brigade Group, as well as individuals from four units.

The race will begin at 2.30 p.m. On Wednesday, December 2, the Land Forces team and individual cross country championships will be held on Sek Kong Airstrip starting at 3 p.m. and finishing about 3.45 p.m. Again all major units in the Colony have entered teams as well as several minor units. There will also be 13 individual entries.

Jewellery Stolen
Thieves broke into No. 1A, Observatory Road, third floor, Talmahat yesterday afternoon and stole \$1,500.

Cautioned

At 3.05 p.m. of July 10 he cautioned the first accused, Cheng Ching-pang at Mongkok Police Station.

At 8 p.m. the same day he and a party of detectives went to Victoria Park, Causeway Bay, where he located four men including the second accused, Lau Wing, the third accused, Cheung Fel, and the fourth accused, Lau Tung.

He told them that he was investigating a robbery case which occurred in Kowloon and invited them to go to Eastern Police Station.

Found Car
Later that evening, accompanied by Cheng, he went to Block "B" Perceval Apartments, sixth floor. In the premises Cheng opened a wardrobe and took out three keys. Cheng told him one of the keys was for a private car parked in Plover Street.

He went to Plover Street where he located the car. Hearing continued.

From the Files

25 years AGO

December, 1934

Early December brought a sharp fall in the temperature and a minimum of 43.7 degrees was recorded. The maximum was 58 degrees. Up in the Peak the temperature has been much nearer freezing. The same day's paper also reported the outbreak of a bushfire half a mile square below High West in the valley between Pokfulam Road and Harlech Road. Advancing on a 1,500 feet front, the fire was swept in a westerly direction by a strong monsoonal wind.

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The strongest aggregation of baseball players ever to visit the Colony arrived in Hong Kong yesterday morning and departed for Manila last night. The party included such notable players as Babe Ruth, Jimmy Fox, Lou Gehrig and Lefty Gomez and have been touring the East for the past two months, having just completed a series of 18 matches against Japanese teams.

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TRIBUTE to the work of the late Mrs R. M. Dyer, a former President of the Society, who had done much in advancing horticulture in the Colony, was paid at the annual general meeting of the Hong Kong Horticultural Society, held yesterday in the boardroom of Messrs Jardine, Matheson & Co. under the chairmanship of Mr G. G. N. Tinson.

The following officials were elected for the current year: President, Sir William Hornell, Hon. Secretary and Treasurer, Mr J. T. Bagram, General Committee: Mrs F. C. Hall, Mrs R. E. Moore, Mr G. A. C. Herkules, Mr Ho Kam-long, Mr J. P. Robinson, Mr H. Green, Mr V. H. C. Barrett, Lt. Col. H. B. L. Dowling, Mr G. G. N. Tinson and Mr J. F. Grose.

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HOPE for Uim and his two unfortunate companions has been almost abandoned. The three luckless aviators, who were forced down in the Pacific whilst on the first stage of their flight from San Francisco have now been missing more than 72 hours despite the most intensive searches ever undertaken by sea and air.

The three aviators were C.T.P. Uim, G.M. Littlejohn and J.L. Skilling. They were flying a British Airspeed Envoy on their way to Australia.

New Cheap Synthetic Fibre

CHINA MAIL REPORTER

A Japanese rayon company is developing a new cheap synthetic fibre which combines the advantages of nylon and terylene.

This was announced today by Mr Shigeo Masuyama, Director of the Nippon Rayon Ltd. Mr Masuyama flew in by PAA this morning to attend the opening of his company's fabric exhibition in Kowloon.

Mr Masuyama said through an interpreter that at this stage there was no fixed date for the release of the fibre. "There are also factories in Europe also working on the same synthetic," he said. "The big advantage is that it will combine the virtues of nylon and terylene and it will be cheap into the bargain. This fibre has been processed and we are now developing it," he added.